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## Cooperative Program Promotional Meeting To Hear Outstanding Southwide Leaders

### 58 MISSIONARIES HAVE GONE FROM NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST SEMINARY

A grand total of fifty-eight missionaries have gone out to serve in foreign fields from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary since its founding, Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president, has announced.

The figures were first tabulated for a report to the student body assembled December 5 in observance of Missionary Day, the first of three such days scheduled for the current school year, stressing the urgent need of evangelistic and missionary endeavors.

Forty-five of the total 56 are still serving in eleven countries in which the Foreign Mission Board has workers and in three countries where the Southern Baptist Convention sponsors no mission work. The roll call by countries is as follows: Africa, 8; Argentina, 5; Brazil, 9; Chile, 4; China, 14; Columbia, 1; Hawaii, 5; Hungary, 1; Japan, 3; Mexico, 1; and Uruguay, 2. Mission work in countries not sponsored by the Southern Baptist Convention is represented as follows: India, 2; Peru, 2; Philippines, 1. These missionaries are doing every type of mission work except medical.

The first missionary to go out from the New Orleans Seminary was Paul Freeman who is serving in Argentina. Miss Bertie Lee Kendrick, a graduate of '45, was the first appointee of the S.B.C. for Hawaii. P. D. Sullivan, appointed to Brazil in 1940, dedicated his life to foreign service on Missionary Day in his first year as a student at the New Orleans Seminary.

The student body, faculty and administrative officers ever remember these servants in prayer, asking God to continue to bless the work of alumni of the New Orleans Seminary.

### Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar

Religious News Service Correspondent

#### SEAGOING COWBOYS

How would you like to be a "cowboy" for a worthy cause?

There's a chance for at least 1,000 more men to be used by the Brethren Service Committee at nearby New Windsor, Md., on UNRRA livestock ships. Men who know how to handle cattle and want to help others are needed.

Since June, 1945, about 5,000 men have made trips on cattle boats under Brethren supervision, and they have represented all races, creeds and colors from virtually every state in the nation, as well as from Canada.

The trips usually last from five to seven weeks, although many are much shorter. The cowboys have to be at

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Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, President of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will speak to the Cooperative Program Promotional Meeting at Jackson on February 3 at the First Church. Dr. Leavell is a Mississippian, reared at Oxford and a graduate of the University of Mississippi.



Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, will speak to the Cooperative Program Promotional Meeting on February 3 at the First Church, Jackson. Dr. Lawrence is a native of Mississippi College and was formerly Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

### About Your Pastor

(AN EDITORIAL)

The columns of The Baptist Record have given considerable news concerning the meeting of The Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen, Denmark, this next summer. Most of the news has been of a general and informative nature. Because time has a definite characteristic of "passing by" we are writing this front page editorial that the 'right people' will consider the appeal and importance of the subject we have on our editorial mind.

We believe there are many churches in Mississippi who would, if the matter were prayerfully considered and properly presented, cheerfully pave the way for their pastor to attend this most important world-wide ingathering of

Baptists. Very few of our state's pastors will have the courage to make an approach of this subject to their congregations because of the amount of expenses involved and the length of time which they would be absent.

Mississippi is peculiarly blessed with honest and sincere pastors. The fellowship with Baptist pastors the world around; the educational values of such a trip and the unknown benefits which pastor and people would receive from such a gracious gesture from church to pastor is almost unpredictable. It will do your pastor good to make the trip and it will make your congregation happy in such an action. Having been in the

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### HOTEL RATES ANNOUNCED FOR SBC AT ST. LOUIS Reservations Must Be Made Through The Housing Bureau

For the convenience of our readers in making hotel reservations for the coming meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, May 4-11, 1947, in St. Louis, hotels and their rates are listed below. Use the form at the end of this article, indicating your first, second and third choice. Because of the limited number of single rooms available, you will stand a much better chance of securing accommodations if your request calls for rooms to be occupied by two or more persons. All reservations must be cleared through the Housing Bureau. ALL REQUESTS FOR RESERVATIONS MUST GIVE DEFINITE DATE AND HOUR OF ARRIVAL, AS WELL AS DEFINITE DATE AND APPROXIMATE HOUR OF DEPARTURE, ALSO NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL

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With the program for the Cooperative Program meeting complete, Dr. D. A. McCall and his office force are making strenuous efforts to lay before the pastors and leaders of Mississippi the importance of the great statewide meeting scheduled to meet in the First Church Jackson on February 3.

More than 5,000 letters have been mailed. These letters carry full information about the day's program. Among the groups to whom letters have been sent are: Pastors, associational moderators, associational clerks, Sunday School superintendents, W.M.U. presidents, Brotherhood presidents and Training Union directors.

Prominent Southern Baptist leaders who will have parts on the program are: Dr. R. Q. Leavell, Miss Kathleen Mallory, Dr. Duke K. McCall, Dr. George W. Sadler, Dr. J. B. Lawrence and Dr. J. W. Merritt.

Panel discussions of the Cooperative Program will be led by Dr. N. W. Cox, Dr. H. L. Martin, Miss Edwina Robinson, E. C. Williams, Auber J. Wilds and Rev. J. H. Street.

More than 1,000 Mississippi Baptists are expected to attend this meeting.

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### Catholic Version Of Religious Liberty

#### Priest Leads In Destruction Of Two Church Buildings

By Missionary J. B. Underwood

The new constitution of Brazil with its guarantee of full religious liberty, was inaugurated by a "Reign of Terror," in the little town of Pilar, Parana, Brazil, in persecution of believers by priest Manoel Gomes. The fanaticism of this young priest led to the destruction of two church buildings and the breaking up and burning of the furniture. In June the efforts of this priest to prevent the Baptist Church of Pilar from buying a very fine property succeeded in obtaining from the mayor a decree that prohibited the sale of the property. The church continued in its present, inadequate, and improperly located building, prospering under the power and blessing of the Lord, with fourteen baptisms in July and August. The first week of September it experienced a good week of evangelistic services.

On the closing night of the meeting, September 8, the priest led a procession by the church twice during the preaching hour to disturb the worship. One young man, incited by the priest, ran to the window and gave a "blood-curdling yell," and others threw stones, slightly injuring one or two persons in the building. Then, at the orders of the priest, they gathered all the Gospels, tracts, or New Testaments.

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The church had completely redecorated the pastor's home and the entire community is extending a warm welcome to the East End leaders.



# Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

"For The Kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the Governor Among the Nations," Psalm 22:28.

I  
During the last several years, we have been able to answer practically all requests for State Mission help, at least in some measure. Our State Mission work has grown until its finances would equal just about what all of our work was eight years ago. In recent years, the Executive Committee has gladly handled late requests and emergency requests. Our State Mission reserve has been used up. Tremendous demands have been made upon the Board for help in ways not even approached heretofore. All of this means that until and unless more money is received for State Missions neither the Board, the Executive Committee, nor this office will be able to do much, if anything, about requests coming in late. Let us repeat the fact that annual appropriations are made at the meeting of the Convention Board within the first few days of December each year.

II  
We have greatly enjoyed holding a few revivals, supplying pulpits, and so forth, each year in this work. We have felt the work would slacken some of these days, but for 1947 we are already more heavily dated at this time than for any previous year. God has blessed us beyond measure, and the brethren have been good to us far beyond our merits. As a little side issue, we have been delighted to turn back into the work, through the books, honorariums and love gifts as follows: 1943, \$2,536.55; 1944, \$1,675.93; 1945, \$3,968.23; and 1946, \$5,626.56. Total for four year period, \$13,807.27. These figures were handed us a few days ago by the Bookkeeping department. Doxology.

III  
Among His last words, Jesus said, "Go ye therefore and TEACH ALL NATIONS." (Matthew 28:18-20). We are a Bible loving, a Jesus obeying people, so of course, we will do ALL He commands. There are about 75 nations of the world! Jesus said, "TEACH ALL NATIONS!" Of course, since we have the Gospel, we are giving it to all the world? We are only pretending to preach the Gospel to about 20 of the nations of the earth. Yet, a few people are wondering what we are doing with all the mission money we are getting. Well, we are giving about 1-4 of our tithe to the work of the Lord and teaching about 1-4 of the nations of the earth! If we brought the other 3-4 of our tithe unto the work of the Lord, we would be able to obey Jesus and teach the other 3-4 of the nations of the earth! After all, God knows best how to get His work done if we will do it His way!

## WE BELIEVE IN GOD!

IV  
"And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." (Revelation 14:6-7).

Whenever the time, we here see heaven's messenger using the airways in preaching the Gospel to people all over the earth. Today flying schools are established that missionaries might use this method of transportation in the spread of the Gospel.

We purchased our plane October 7th. Two weeks later we did our first solo. One week later we took our first cross country trip in solo flight. Three weeks later we received our private license. This enabled us to carry passengers.

While a student under an instructor we flew (making engagements) to Gulfport, Baldwin, Fulton, and New Albany. We landed enroute at Houston, Tupelo, Winona, and Pickens.

Piloting the plane ourself we have landed at Jackson, Raymond, Forest, Philadelphia, Canton, Oxford, Grenada, Indianola, Hollandale, Rolling Fork, Vicksburg, Crystal Springs, Brookhaven, Natchez, Rockport, Hattiesburg, Lumberton, Meridian, Tylertown, and Greenwood.

We appreciate the prayerful and helpful interest of our people in all our work for Christ. We just desire to preach His Gospel to the most people possible!

While on the ground in a pasture in South Mississippi, we sharply bumped a wing of the plane. It reminded us of bent automobile fenders, bumpers, and radiators. We hope there are not too many of any of these, though some may be expected.

Since getting the plane, we have flown about 8,000 miles. We travel about 45,000 miles per year in His Service!

"And I saw another messenger fly in the midst of heaven having the everlasting gospel to preach to them on the earth."

V  
**IMPORTANT TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION ATTENDANTS**  
The following letter is self-explanatory.

"Dear Dr. McCall:

You will find enclosed a list of the Hotels and the adopted blank to be used by those who desire to make reservations for the Southern Baptist Convention.

I do want to urge that the instructions on this sheet be followed carefully for only reservations coming to us in this manner will be honored. I would especially call attention to the fact that all reservations for hotels will be made through the Housing Bureau, 910 Syndicate Trust Building, St. Louis 1, Mo. It will be a waste of time for individuals to write direct to hotels.

It has been suggested by the Committees, both local and southwide, that the sheet be published in our state papers and that in turn each state sec-

retary provide a supply of these to be used in their own particular state for those who expect to attend the Convention in St. Louis next May.

Yours very sincerely,  
O. R. Shields  
Chairman of St. Louis Committee  
Southern Baptist Convention

ORS: 1w"

Elsewhere in this or a succeeding issue of the Baptist Record, a list of hotels will be found. A room in a private home at \$1.50 per night for bed and breakfast may be had.

You will please write the Executive Secretary for one of the reservation blanks referred to above.

VI  
We are advised by the W. A. A. office, New Orleans, that there are no chapel organs for sale just now.

In the Baptist Record last week on page 16, you will find a statement regarding chapel buildings for sale.

Dr. C. E. Matthews of Texas, newly elected leader in Evangelism, is announcing for Southern Baptists an all out Evangelistic effort in April, May, and June, 1947. The Baptist Hour will be used in soul winning work. We like this very much.

We asked for a good strong Co-operative Program promotional committee. We got it in the persons of Drs. N. W. Cox, H. L. Martin, J. D. Ray, and F. M. Purser. Dr. Ray is chairman, and Dr. Martin is secretary. They have been at the heart of the plans for the great meeting February 3.

## UNIFIED CHURCH BUDGET PLEDGE CARD

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Church Member? \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday School Member \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly Pledge \_\_\_\_\_ Tither \_\_\_\_\_  
(yes or no)

I hereby subscribe weekly to the Unified Budget of \_\_\_\_\_ Church the amount indicated above and will continue payments until I notify the church office in writing to change or cancel my pledge.

In this subscription I am supporting all the interests of this church and all of the great causes of the denomination.

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

## This Tither's Pledge to be Signed by Tithers Only

Recognizing my obligation as a steward of all I possess and believing that the tithe is the minimum standard of Christian giving, I agree to give at least one tenth of my income during the next year to kingdom enterprises.

Tither's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Form 210-C Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

We herewith reproduce the canvass card used in the Visitation Evangelistic Campaign. Order from the Convention Board office.

VIII  
Do you read the Sunday School and Training Union attendance reports in the Baptist Record week by week? First and Calvary Churches, Jackson, point the way in Sunday School attendance. They have also stepped into places of leadership in Training Union attendance. These things do not just happen. A great pastor leadership is part of the explanation. In addition, the membership of these churches have stood unitedly through the years. They have had differences of opinion, but they have stood together in the work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Further down the list, we note that Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, comes third in Sunday School attendance.

Churches with smaller memberships like New Albany, Crystal Springs, and Pascagoula, First, register excellent Sunday School attendance. Brookhaven, Laurel, First, West Laurel show up well also in the list.

In addition, some splendid rural and village churches made splendid records.

IX  
MAN DOES NOT STAND ALONE by Morris is a new Revell book just off the press. Price \$1.25. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

Dr. Frederic Ebey gives us a great personality story of Dr. A. H. Newman, in a new volume just off the press. We knew Dr. Newman, studying church history under him, and remember him as a great teacher and Christian personality.

This volume may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store.

"Carved On Our Hearts" by Miss Carver is a little volume priced at 40c and treating China as a land of color, charm, change, contrast, and challenge. It may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store.

"A Crowded Church" is a new and interesting looking volume just off the press. We also have before us "Broadman Comments" by Dr. W. R. White for 1947. If you need a good Sunday School lesson commentary, this is it. Order from your Baptist Book Store.

"Into Tomorrow" by John J. Wicker is a new volume just off the press. In this volume Dr. Wicker presses a great deal of his philosophy of life.

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### ABOUT YOUR PASTOR

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pastorate the editor is cognizant of the problems involved in such an action but we are of the honest opinion that if the lay leaders of your church would prayerfully discuss and consider the importance of this matter there would not be a dissenting vote to such a proposal.

Meetings of this scope and nature are infrequent and we are confident your pastor will respond to the opportunity your church would afford him by being a more inspired preacher and pastor upon his return.

We are taking the liberty of suggesting that someone in your church begin NOW to make the necessary arrangements and TELL YOUR PASTOR to get himself ready for the trip to Copenhagen next July. Tell him that his church is giving him at least \$1000 for his expenses and will pay the supply pastors during his absence. Tell him you appreciate him and want him to have the advantage and opportunities which the Baptist World Alliance meeting will afford him. No doubt there are enough laymen in your church to "make up" such an amount without even bothering the church budget. DO IT NOW. Your pastor won't ask you. YOU TELL HIM!

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### "Board Of Deacons"

The heading is a term often used indiscriminately! Consulting two books whose authority is seldom questioned we find that a "Board" according to Noah Webster (of Dictionary fame) is a "number of persons who have the management of a public company". Consequently we find "Boards of Trustees" in many organizations with the power to act for that organization; in the case of Baptist churches, with the authority to transfer, buy or sell property, for the church. In this capacity certain individuals are held responsible for transactions (legally) when congregations may

not be held responsible.

The term "Board of Deacons" is a misnomer in Baptist churches. In the Bible we always find the term "Deacons". And the Bible is our final authority. The account of the selection of the first deacons is found in Acts 6:1-6. It is at the suggestion of the ministers, but the multitude of disciples (learners) elect the first seven to the office of deacon. The ministry of these deacons was to minister to the Grecian widows, (feed them, wait on tables) who had been neglected. Deacons, like the bishop (pastor), are servants of the church. They are not members of a "Board" with authority to make final decisions.

Other references to the office of deacon are found in Philippians 1:1, I Timothy 3:8, 10, 12 and 13. Chosen by the church, the church has standards of personal conduct for those selected to the office of deacon. And, in turn, the deacon is responsible to the church for his use of the office to which he has been elected.

Perhaps the wrong term has been used, because Deacons have usurped authority, which was not rightly theirs, by making decisions, rather than letting the congregation of church members (in church conference) make the decisions. Sometimes, and in most cases, the church is willing to follow the leadership of its pastor and deacons. But this willingness must not be taken for granted. Perhaps we as church members are too lax and do not demand that matters be brought to us for action. Are some of us guilty of absolute indifference by staying away from services on the Lord's Day, and on Wednesday from the mid-week prayer service?

Or, perhaps, the deacons have had the matter forced upon them, and have, as a matter of necessity, made decisions, until they have no longer felt the need of bringing matters to the attention of the church, because they are sure the church will vote without dissent. This is a compliment to the wisdom of the deacons! But we as Baptists want, and should have, that "last word" and the final power for putting decisions into action. Occasionally we might dissent, and we should when the best interests of the church and our convictions are involved.

Let not only deacons, but church members, study the situation in your own church. We like to think that the Baptist churches are about the only real democracies left, but they are not democratic when "Boards of Deacons" transact all the business of the church.

Deacons, bring the business of the church to the church members,

and let the people have opportunity to discuss matters, even as they have been discussed previously in your deacon's meetings.

We have not only heard the term, "Board of Deacons" but we have seen it printed in church bulletins. Others may not know the difference, but as Baptists we should know that we have no scriptural authority for "Board of Deacons". If we have been guilty, let us change our terminology. And if deacons have misused their office (deliberately or unwittingly) let us as church members, with love, yet with firmness, help them see their responsibilities as church officers "of honest report, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom".

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### Our Heartfelt Thanks

The editor of the Baptist Record is deeply grateful for the Christmas greetings that came in large numbers from far and near.

Unless there is some way to get more than 24 hours in a day it will be impossible to personally acknowledge all these friendly expressions, but we do want everyone who wrote letters or cards to know that Christmas meant more to us because of their thoughtfulness.

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### The Baptist Record Is Fortunate

Several of the Southern Baptist State Papers are having difficulty in securing sufficient paper. Some have had to reduce the number of pages and some have been forced to use smaller pages.

So far, the Baptist Record has had very little paper trouble but we warn our readers that the paper situation is still serious and the paper shortage may hit us at any moment.

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### Follow Instructions

On page one is an article which sets forth the proper procedure for trying to get a reservation at one of the St. Louis Hotels for the Southern Baptist Convention which meets May 4-11.

Mr. O. R. Shields in a letter to Dr. McCall (see page 2) insists that instructions be followed to the letter.

Before you write for your reservation carefully read the article about hotel reservations and then do as Mr. Shields suggests.

If you are not ready to make your reservation now, file this issue of the Record. Then when you are ready to write for a reservation you won't have to write as follows:

"Dear Brother Goodrich:

"I saw an article about hotel

reservations in the Baptist Record a few weeks ago, but do not remember the date. Please look this up and send me a copy or write me how to get a reservation at St. Louis for the Convention."

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### Our Yearly Thanks

Once again Mississippi Baptists are indebted to Purser Brothers for their good workmanship in producing the Annual of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Purser Brothers are also entitled to a lot of praise for their promptness. The Mississippi Baptist Convention adjourned on November 14. Secretary Gay had his material ready for the printers two or three days later or about November 16.

The completed minutes were delivered to Secretary McCall on December second. But this kind of promptness is a habit with Purser Brothers.

Last year we noticed that in some states the Convention Annuals were delivered later in the spring although the Convention met the fall before.

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### Why Only Texas?

We note from the Baptist Standard that the Convention Board of Texas has recently voted to ask Dr. and Mrs. J. Howard Williams to go as Texas Baptists' representatives to the Baptist World Alliance at Copenhagen, Denmark in July.

We are not trying to dictate, but we do think every state should do likewise.

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Spanish Protestants have appealed to the world to help them gain religious liberty in Franco's Catholic government. Vatican officials have admitted that the laws in Spain are very "severe".

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### RESOLUTIONS OF SPANISH FORT CHURCH

Whereas, Rev. R. A. Eddleman, has resigned as pastor of Spanish Fort Church and,

Whereas he has faithfully served the church and proved himself a sincere Christian, a true servant of the Lord and leaves the church in a good condition financially with a new communion table and service,

Resolved that he will long be remembered in the hearts of many, as will his late, faithful wife, who loved her Lord and contributed unstintingly to His service.

Also be it resolved that the members of Spanish Fort Church extend to him our sincere appreciation for the achievements of his ministry.

And that we heartily recommend him to whatever field of endeavor he may pursue.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be given to Brother Eddleman, a copy filed with the church clerk and a copy sent to the Baptist Record.

Mrs. R. U. Screws  
Mrs. Elmo Screws  
Mrs. D. S. Bowering  
Mrs. Leslie Thompson





REV. MAURICE CLAYTON

### Maurice Clayton Ordained

Maurice Clayton, son of Mrs. Pearl R. Clayton of New Albany was ordained to the ministry at the First Baptist church of New Albany, December 29, with Rev. J. R. Davis, pastor, presiding, and preaching the sermon. He is a local boy, a student at Mississippi College, and the good wishes of the church accompany him in his work. He has been called as pastor of the Hickory Ridge church in Rankin county.

The following ministers took part in the services: Clark Rakestraw, J. H. Roberts, Bilbo Lively, F. H. Cox, Joe Skinner, H. G. West, (who gave the charge), and E. S. Hall, in addition to the pastor.

Young Clayton is the fifth minister to go out from this dynamic church. Others have dedicated their lives to full time service.

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### RELIEF PACKAGES SENT

The Church World Service Center established at New Orleans in September by the Relief Committee of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board is turning out twenty-five 100-lb., bales of clothing and bedding daily. Director Clovis A. Brantley reported at a meeting of the committee December 31.

Mr. Brantley, who is superintendent of the Baptist Rescue Mission and who made his building available for receiving and processing used clothing from evangelical Christian groups in the Gulf coast area of ten states, gave an enthusiastic statement of the first four months. "It is thrilling!" he said. "I volunteered for this job because I wanted to have some part in relieving human suffering around the world. I am greatly pleased and surprised at the quality as well as the quantity of stuff coming in. We have already received 37,000 pounds. It is in good condition and is usually well packed, and we are getting it out fast."

The two representatives of Church World Service, Inc., at the meeting, both of whom have helped establish eight other warehouses in the United States, congratulated Mr. Brantley on the low costs at the new center. The goods are being processed at a cost of 10 cents a pound, and are being shipped to Europe and Asia for about the same cost. For a quantity of goods valued at \$20,000, the processing cost is \$2,500 at the New Orleans center.

"Until clothing and textile industries can be rehabilitated by the governments of the war-devastated countries, the need for this type of material relief will be great," Dr. George W. Sadler, relief committee director,

## Preston Smith Memorial Established

### 38th Avenue Church Hopes To Make Similar Gift Yearly

Mr. and Mrs. Luther P. Smith, members of Thirty-Eighth Avenue Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, started the PRESTON SMITH MEMORIAL FUND at Christmas time by giving \$300 to be sent to some foreign mission object. Their son, 1st Lieut. Preston Smith, was the only member of Thirty-Eighth Avenue Church who made the supreme sacrifice of his life during the recent world conflict.

Because of the action of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, the church voted to give \$300 or more each year at Christmas as memorial to Preston. The recent gift has been sent to the Foreign Mission Board with the request that the Board select some object for which the \$300 may be used most profitably.

Lt. Smith joined the Air Corps in February 1941. Prior to his foreign service he was stationed at Mitchell Field, Long Island, N. Y. Primary training was at Madison Station, north of Jackson, basic training in Angelo, Texas, and he received his "wings" at Selma, Alabama.

The young lieutenant was a crew member of a B-25 bomber on a mission to Lae, New Guinea. When approaching the target the plane was met by a large number of enemy planes. The bomber was last seen on fire and losing altitude over enemy



Lt. LUTHER PRESTON SMITH territory May 25, 1942. No parachutes were seen and no trace of the missing bomber or missing crew members was found, according to the letter received from the War Department by the parents. Lieutenant Smith was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry.

Surviving the young flier are his parents, his wife, the former Jeanette Buchan, and three brothers, Byrle, Byron (twins) and Glenn Smith.

**Correction:** In last week's Record it was stated that Oak Grove, Calhoun County, had five readers. The correct number is eight. The reason is that the other subscriptions came in after the article was written. We are always glad to have our readers call attention to any error.

In the January meeting of the Home Mission Board, Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Dawson of West Palm Beach, Florida, were named as missionaries among migrant workers in the Southland; Miss Margaret Owen as student missionary in Rachel Sims Mission, New Orleans; and Rev. and Mrs. Ruby Hernandez as missionaries in Menard and Eden, Texas.

This year Home Mission week at Ridgecrest is scheduled to begin July 31 with an evening session. Rural evangelism will be featured in the summer assembly. In co-operation with state boards and rural pastors, it is expected that a thousand rural evangelists and pastors will attend the assembly program for that week.

states.

The committee authorized Mr. Brantley to get larger floor space if possible and to engage a promotional agent for the center. It also approved a budget for 1947, and made plans to continue the Center through 1948, longer if necessary.

### MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS KEEP GROWING

Growth is a dominant principle in God's way of life.

You will be interested in the comparative figures that follow:

	Cooperative Program	Designations	Totals
1946—January 1—December 31	\$581,651.84	\$1,238,267.16	\$1,819,919.00
1945—January 1—December 31	533,150.74	876,649.09	1,409,799.83
<b>GAIN</b>	<b>\$48,501.10</b>	<b>\$361,618.07</b>	<b>\$410,119.17</b>

It is seen here that Mississippi Baptists in 1946 gained \$48,501.10 in Co-operative Program receipts over the receipts of 1945. While doing this, we gained \$361,618.07 in designated offerings for 1946 over the calendar year of 1945. Thus we gained a total of \$410,119.17 in 1946 over 1945 for all the work of Christ beyond the local church. Look at it anyway you will, that represents a tremendous gain of almost 25%. In 1945 all but 98 of our 1552 churches participated in this part of the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, Mississippi Baptists went ahead to establish a new high mark in love and loyalty to the work of Christ. Doxology!

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

Rev. R. A. Eddleman, Clinton, Miss.

Twenty-three were baptized at Blue Mountain at the close of a good meeting in which pastor E. B. Hatcher had the assistance of Dr. S. J. Porter of Oklahoma City.

Last Sunday Dr. Zeno Wall offered his resignation as pastor at Clinton to accept a unanimous and enthusiastic call to Goldsboro, N. C., his native State. His resignation was reluctantly accepted.

Rev. B. E. Philips has resigned the care of the Liberty church Newton Co., and the church has called brother Meadows.

The First Church of McComb on last Sunday called Rev. J. W. Mayfield of Opelika, Alabama. He is a Mississippian, who has made good in other states.

The Church at Raymond has called Rev. W. O. Carter who is just completing his course at Fort Worth Seminary. He is an Alumnus of Mississippi College.

Brother N. T. Tull, whose office is next door to that of the Baptist Record editor, says he has to read the Baptist Record to keep up with the progress of the Baptist work in the kingdom.

Pastor J. M. Metts of Flora has for several months been enabled by the generosity of his church to study in the Ft. Worth Seminary. The church has paid his salary in his absence and during the Christmas holidays remembered him pleasantly. He expects to be in his pulpit by the 15th of this month.

## A German Church In America

From the entrance an eagle in flight can be seen adorning a tall white tombstone. That is the first indication of German influence as you enter the Trappe, Pennsylvania, Lutheran Churchyard. Trappe is a small town 30 miles west of Philadelphia in the area settled by German farmers in bonded laborers over 200 years ago when America consisted of 13 English-owned colonies.

Today, as "Pennsylvania Dutch" they still populate the same locality and worship at their Lutheran churches, established in conformity with the ideas set up by Martin Luther.

The oldest original Lutheran Church in America stands in good condition in the same spot as it was erected in 1743, made of stone and axe-hewn oak fixtures. The pulpit, imported from England over two centuries ago, is located on the side wall near the front with a sounding board overhead. The church board sits in the front of the church facing the congregation and the choir and organ are directly above in the balcony.

The boys sit in a section of the balcony and the girls in another. The pews in the front half of the church have doors and were rented to the landowners for their respective families. The rear pews have no doors and were used by the bonded laborers, the rent being paid by the landowners.—Edward L. Blake.

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Rev. A. E. Lucas of Columbus recently sent a list of 14 subscriptions which as a Christmas present to members of McConley church, Chickasaw county church of which he is pastor.

Miss Doris Lee, treasurer of Shady Grove church, Jasper county recently sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions. Lists like these have enabled the Baptist Record to reach an all-time high in circulation.



## — Woman's Missionary Union —

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

### NEW HOME MISSION BOOKS RELEASED

**SHINING LIKE THE STARS** by Harold E. Dye (price 50c)—for adults and Young People.

**TELL** by Virginia Wingo (Price 50c)—For Intermediates

**EVERYWHERE PREACHING THE WORD** by Josephine R. Medlin (price 50c)—For Juniors

**KATIE OF THE CANYON** by Una Roberts Lawrence (price 50c)—For Primaries

**RESOURCE BOOK: EVANGELISM** in HOME MISSIONS by Una Roberts Lawrence.

These books are now available at your Baptist Book Store. It is recommended that these be used in study for this first quarter of the New Year, as we prepare our hearts for the observance of the Season of Prayer for Home Missions, March 3-7, 1947.

The theme of these books is World Evangelism. The study of these should prove helpful in our Evangelistic emphasis and effort. **SHINING LIKE THE STARS** closes with this challenge:

"If the world is to be saved within the time limits before us, we shall have to, one and all, become ardent missionaries, willing to burn ourselves out for the Master. **NOTHING SHORT OF A WORLDWIDE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND A WORLDWIDE REVIVAL COULD SAVE MANKIND FROM UTTER DESTRUCTION WITHIN FIVE YEARS!** An international revival that will sweep men in self-surrender to God faster than armies can mobilize; an ingathering of regenerated souls into the kingdom of God; spiritual power that can offset and nullify the physical power that threatens all life itself; this, and nothing less, can save mankind.

Winning the world to Christ is a superhuman task; it requires more than all men have, it requires the Holy Spirit plus surrendered lives. It will not be easy.

No; it isn't easy. But it was not easy for Christ to face a cross. It was not easy for Him to hang there, pouring out His blood for the salvation of the world."

### COOPERATIVE PROGRAM EMPHASIS

**SOMETHING NEW!** Yes, this is the first time that Mississippi Baptists have ever planned a meeting primarily for the purpose of considering "The Cooperative Program"! You have already heard that our State Baptist Convention in session last November voted to set a high goal of \$1,000,000 for the agencies and institutions who make up "Our Cooperative Program" as Baptists. Under the leadership of our State Mission Secretary, Dr. D. A. McCall, a special day for "Cooperative Program Emphasis" has been planned. The meeting is to be held February 3rd, 9:15 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church, Jackson. The list of outstanding denominational leaders who will be the speakers for that day should insure a record attendance:

Dr. Duke McCall, Executive Secretary of the S.B.C. Exec. Com.

Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary of W.M.U.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary, Home Mission Board

Dr. Geo. W. Sadler, Secretary of the

Foreign Mission Board for Europe, Africa, and the Near East

Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, President, New Orleans Baptist Seminary

We want you to plan with your Missionary Society for a worthy representation. This call goes to every Mississippi Baptist—men and women. It can be a day of far-reaching importance, and should prove to be a real force in Kingdom building.

Not only will Miss Mallory speak that morning at 10:25 but she will help in a special conference for women from 3:10 - 4:30. We are counting on at least 500 women being present for this important meeting.

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## Fifteen Deacons Ordained At First Church, Jackson

Twenty-six new deacons were elected by First Church, Jackson, on Wednesday, January 8. Eleven were reactivated and the fifteen new ones were ordained in an impressive service on Sunday evening, January 12. This makes a total of 100 deacons for the church.

The Ordaining Council was composed of the deacons of First Church, visiting deacons and visiting ministers. Pastor W. Douglas Hudgins was elected Chairman and E. L. Herring, clerk of the Council.

The new deacons presented for ordination by Purser Hewitt, Chairman of the Deacons, were as follows; Paul Arrington, M. A. Boothe, Robert Burns, J. R. Gilfoy, Dr. W. D. McCain, L. H. McCraw, George D. Meek, Craig Reynolds, D. B. Sharron, E. O. Spencer, John W. Steen, A. M. Tisdale, Julian Walker, Tom E. Wright and Wirt A. Yerger.

Deacons ordained previously were C. W. Barlow, Bert Barnett, J. H. Boman, H. N. Buck, Wilburn Buckley, Alvon H. Doty, Pat McMullan, J. O. Snowden, Earl T. Thomas, R. H. Tomlinson and J. A. Travis.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins read from I Timothy 3:8-13 and related the account of the election of the first deacons as told in Acts 6. In preaching the ordination sermon pastor Hudgins reminded the deacons that a deacon should be (1) a moral man; right in speech, right on the liquor question and right on money matters, (2) spiritually minded; a man of faith, man of courage, man of optimism, man of prayer and a man of spiritual wisdom, (3) have family standards; the head of his house, and recognize his responsibility for control and development of his children, (4) and doctrinally sound.

Following the sermon the deacons knelt for the ordination prayer led by Dr. Hudgins and for the laying on of hands.

Dr. W. A. Hewitt, pastor emeritus, gave the charge to the new deacons. In his charge Dr. Hewitt said a deacon should have "a good name, good common sense and good religion".

Others participating in the service were Rev. N. A. Edmunds, who led the opening prayer, Rev. James B. Parker, who led in the offertory prayer and Rev. H. H. Webb, who pronounced the benediction.

## WHAT IS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION?

"This brief statement is given in answer to Secretary McCall's request to prepare a short article on 'What Is Christian Education at Mississippi College?' To answer the question adequately in so short a space is a difficult, if not impossible, assignment.

The term 'Christian Education' is commonly used to designate the way in which the denominational college deals with college subjects from a Christian point of view. Christian Education at Mississippi College is not education as given by secular colleges or universities plus a course in Bible and a resident B. S. U. secretary. Both words in the term 'Christian Education' are emphasized. Courses are taught by teachers who have had a definite experience of grace, and who, out of that authority born of experience and firsthand knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, seek to major in the development of Christian character. Such teaching is permeated by the Spirit of Christ. It seeks to train the heart as well as the head and hand. It recognizes that its chief responsibility is not in teaching students how to think, but rather in teaching them how to live. It seeks to help the student develop right attitudes toward God and man and encourages the expression of those attitudes in actual Christian work.

At the same time Mississippi College recognizes that Christian Education is supposed to be an education. Thus it is not felt that required courses in Bible, compulsory chapel attendance, and frequent prayer meetings can be a substitute for efficient and scholarly classroom work backed up by adequate library and laboratory facilities. A premium is put upon consecration, but not upon consecration at the expense of scholarship. Students are required to take courses which will contribute to a well-rounded scholarship.

At Mississippi College there are many organizations to back up the work of the classroom and to give practical expression to truths learned. In addition to the regular organizations of the Clinton Baptist Church there are on the campus the noon-day prayer groups, smaller prayer groups meeting each evening in the dormitories, the Mission Volunteer Band, and the Ministerial Association.—Howard E. Spell"

Support Christian Education through the Co-operative Program. Christian Education for 1947 is allocated 25% of Co-operative Program receipts.

## Study Is Held

The Tate Street church in Corinth recently enjoyed a study course under the auspices of the Training Union department, of which L. V. Duncan is director. Those serving as instructors were: Roy Wilbanks, Mrs. Frances Bennett, Mrs. T. T. Weaver and Mrs. Aldridge. In special services the following had part: Mrs. D. T. Bumpass and Rev. L. G. Sansing, the latter being the District President of the B.T.U. He gave a great message on "Thanksgiving."

Pastor H. B. Speights is happy over the results, and the average attendance of 66 for the week. Refreshments and social hours added to the fellowship of the study course week.

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## Mississippi Ranks Eleventh In Southwide Gifts

According to the December report issued by Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, the contributions from Mississippi ranked eleventh, with total gifts amounting to \$21,122. Texas was first with \$134,155. Total contributions for the month from all the states amounted to \$508,862, with \$414,191 going to the Cooperative Program.

Total contributions for the year from all states amounted to \$10,259,995 as compared with receipts for 1945 of \$5,735,559. This is increase of \$4,524,436 in the twelve months period.

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## Bethlehem Gains With Full Time

Bethlehem church in Jones county, since going full time, has shown an increased Sunday school attendance and an intensified interest in prayer meetings. The music life of the church is also registering the improvement which comes from additional services. The Training Union is one of the best in this section. Pastor R. H. Daniel and his wife are capable workers, tireless in all the activities. A good staff of workers in the church as-

## Youth's Part At Copenhagen

By Frank H. Leavell, Secretary, Youth Committee of the Baptist World Alliance

Young Baptists, and the interest of young people, are to have special consideration at the seventh Baptist World Congress at Copenhagen, Denmark, July 29-August 3, 1947.

Through Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, President of the Alliance, the Danish Baptist leaders have expressed strong interest that young Baptists especially may come in great numbers. This is wise. Today as never before young people should be alert to world conditions and international relations. Youth are the guardians of our international destiny. Youth are the trustees of posterity. And this is true for the Kingdom of God, as well as the kingdoms of man. In an international age it is a superlative that youth in their early years become internationally minded and advised.

On Wednesday afternoon, July 30th, there will be a Young People's Conference as a part of the Alliance program. Dr. T. G. Dunning, chairman of the Youth Committee of the Alliance, will preside and Frank H. Leavell, secretary of that committee, will read the report of the committee's activities since its last meeting at Zurich, Switzerland, in 1937. There are to be speeches by youth leaders from various countries.

Immediately following the Copenhagen Congress there will be a three day Baptist Youth Conference arranged and promoted by the Youth Committee, nearby, but not in Copenhagen. The suggested theme is **One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism**. The next Youth Congress is scheduled to meet in 1950. Numbers of parties are now being organized, some for youth especially.

sists in every movement for better development of the field. The church has been full time for 15 months.

Additional space for the expanding work has been built. Fans have been installed and gas added for the comfort of the congregations. This is one of the Every Family churches on the Baptist Record list.



# BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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## CRUSADE TO ENLIST 2,000,000 DAILY BIBLE READERS IN 1947

**SOLD OUT!** Did you ever see such a sign? Well would you believe it, we have had so many requests for the leaflet of the Crusade to enlist 2,000,000 Daily Bible Readers that we have given completely out of the leaflet. Do not worry though, and do not withhold your request for we will have another supply perhaps before you read this, so send your request in the plan is, as you know, to NOT ONLY ENLIST EVERY MEMBER OF EVERY UNION, but to enlist as many who are not members of the union as are members of the union. This will include other church members in your church, and as many other friends as you can possibly enlist to read with us this year. Along with the leaflets will come commitment cards if you care to use them. TO CHURCHES WHO USE THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST BULLETIN SERVICE we will say that we have been promised that the Scripture readings for each week will be given in these bulletins. Let directors, pastors, and other leaders call attention to this and urge every member who gets the bulletin to keep it through the week and read with us the daily reading. Let us suggest to the churches who do not use the Southern Baptist Bulletin Service, but have a church bulletin, to run the references in your bulletin each week. Do your part to enlist this 2,000,000 Daily Bible Readers this year.

## TRAINING UNION CONTINUES TO GROW

We have this word to pass on regarding the increase in Training Union enrollment. For the third quarter of 1946 the circulation of Training Union Quarterlies was 1,047,394. An increase of the third quarter for 1945 of 158,590. Mississippi shares in this increase.

## 30 Out of 33 Churches in Lauderdale Have Unions

Lauderdale County, Miss Irmogene Tucker, Director, Brother Martin Gilbert, Missionary, is working toward 100% in churches with a Training Union. As it now stands only three out of the thirty three do not have a union, and Miss Tucker writes that "We won't give up". When these three have a union this will be the first of our large associations to report a union in every church. Watch for this report! Recently a union was organized in Bethany and also in Collinsville. There is an "extension" Training Union in the Vimbille community. This gives the association 31 Training Unions. Training Union interest in Lauderdale Association is marked by the fact that at the recent State Training Union Convention they chartered two busses to bring representatives to the meeting. More than a hundred came from Lauderdale Co. The largest associational delegation present.

## A LINE FROM LENA!

We have a good word from Rev. A. A. Ward, a strong supporter of Training Union work, pastor of the Lena Baptist Church in which he says "We have just completed the best Training Union week in the history of the Lena Baptist Church. We had

an enrollment of 98 with an average attendance of 75. A new Intermediate Union was organized. Our goal is a Standard Training Union early in 1947." Thanks Brother Ward for this good word. We will be getting that Standard award ready for you.

In November and December there were 75 new unions organized. 4 Story Hours; 19 Junior Unions; 17 Young People's Unions; and 18 Adult Unions. It is interesting to see how these unions run almost exactly the same.

Our Study Course awards for November ran 1,743; and for December, 948. Mighty good for those who had a study course, but there were 24 entire associations which did not report a single study course during these two months. **THEY WILL REPORT SOME BEFORE THE YEAR IS OUT. OUR GOAL IS EVERY ASSOCIATION REPORTING STUDY COURSE WORK IN 1947.**

## THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY DESERVES A BOOST

To those of us who believe that the Bible is the Word of God, and who desire that all people should have the privilege of reading it for themselves, believe in the American Bible Society. It is publishing millions of copies of the printed word and distributing them throughout the earth, printing them in a thousand different languages. They sell them in most instances below cost, and in many instances the price is just enough that the recipient will treasure it the more than if it had been just a gift. The only way they can make this possible is for friends as churches or individuals to make regular contributions to them. If you or your church want to make such a contribution send it to Dr. D. A. McCall, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., and say this is for The American Bible Society, and every penny of it will be sent direct to them.

## WINSTON COMPLETES ITS ASSOCIATIONAL TRAINING UNION ORGANIZATION AND ADOPTS STANDARD AS RULE AND GUIDE

Thanks to Associational Missionary Norris G. Hickman for a good report of the Winston Co., Training Union activities. They recently had a most helpful meeting in which seven churches were represented and four pastors present. The officers were all elected, and the Standard was adopted as their rule and guide in their activities. This is a safe guide and will lead any Associational Training Union into a program that will be Christ honoring.

## A NEW FEATURE IN THE TRAINING UNION MAGAZINE

On page 46 of the January Magazine there is a guide to the use of the material in the Training Union Magazine which will help you accomplish the plans and activities suggested in the Calendar of Activities. This guide includes a cross reference to the Training Union emphasis in **Home Life**. (Home Life is a new publication of the Sunday School Board that you will want coming to your home regularly). It is also correlated with the quarterlies for each age group.

## Questionnaires Should Be Returned Immediately

Early in December a questionnaire was mailed to all pastors in the Southern Baptist Convention from the Committee on Church Organizations. The request was made that the questionnaire be returned by January first, if possible, since the Committee would meet soon thereafter. Many of the questionnaires have been received, but the Christmas rush may have prevented a number of pastors from giving the matter attention. Returns from these first questionnaires have been organized and will serve the purpose of the Committee in its January meeting.

Brother Pastor, if you have not filled out and returned the form, please do so right away! The more returns we have, the more valuable will be the results and the more valid our interpretation of the opinions and wishes of Southern Baptist pastors and the churches they represent. Let this be a reminder to every pastor who has not yet done so to mail the questionnaire, with all the items carefully checked, immediately to the Chairman of the Committee.

G. S. Dobbins, Chairman  
Committee on Church Organizations  
2825 Lexington Road  
Louisville, Kentucky

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## Foxworth Expands

During recent months the Sunday school at Foxworth has organized a new young people's department and graded the remaining six groups. Additional officers have been named. The total enrollment is now 236 with an average attendance of 144. There are 28 officers and teachers. The book, "Building a Standard Sunday School," was taught by Pastor E. L. Howell with 23 completing the course, who was pleased with the response of the workers.

The educational building is nearing completion, and when added room is available, Superintendent R. E. Abernathy predicts even larger growth. Mesdames J. W. Pittman and J. A. Lowe serve as reporters for the school.

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## MRS. J. A. LEE

On December 7 the body of Mrs. Lee was laid to rest in the Clinton cemetery. She was nearly 85 years old and had been in failing health for some months. Many will remember her as the wife of Rev. J. A. Lee, pastor for many years of churches in Mississippi. She was well known and greatly beloved at Clinton, where she made her home for many years, where her husband and a son are buried. She was a woman of genuine culture, strong character, beautiful Christian spirit, fine convictions and sincere loyalty to her Lord, her church, her family and all that is good. We count her one of the most useful Christian women we have known.

When a young woman she attended Mary Sharpe College of which Dr. Z. C. Graves was president. She developed qualities of leadership which made her an excellent pastor's wife. She had the quality of good sense which made that leadership safe and constructive.

She leaves to bless the world happy memories in a host of friends. Also two daughters, Mrs. Alice Lee McDade of University City, Missouri and Mrs. Lillian Burwell of Oil City, Pennsylvania, and three sons, Col. Webb Lee of San Antonio, Edwin Lee of Poplarville, Mississippi, and James A. Lee of Kenosha, Wisconsin. She was born at Courtland, Mississippi, December 22, 1861.—P. I. Lipsey.

## Edwards Begins Pastorate At East McComb



Earl C. Edwards, who has recently resigned the Church in Baldwin to accept the call to the East McComb Baptist Church in McComb, is very happy in his New Field.

Regarding his former and present work he says:

"My family and I shall always be grateful to the people of Baldwin for their kindness during our ministry there. They are a fine people and have endeared themselves to us in many ways. Their love for God and for us was shown often and certainly these expressions of kindness reached a climax both in word and deed during the last days of our ministry.

"The greatest thrill of our ministry was not in the large number of additions and the tripling of the budget, but it was the dedication of 14 lives for definite Christian Service and the giving of more than \$10,000 to missions.

East McComb has been exceedingly cordial in extending us a welcome and we feel we face a great opportunity and a great challenge.

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## Magee Accepts Beulah Church

Rev. A. L. Magee has been called as pastor Beulah Baptist church, Laurel, Miss., after a successful pastorate at the Rio Vista church, New Orleans. The church passed resolutions regarding the departing pastor in which he and his wife were lauded for their fine work and untiring efforts at Rio Vista, for the two years they served. The church was freed of debt and expansion programs of value were accomplished there. The dependable and trustworthy service of the Magee family was praised in the resolutions which were signed by the chairman of the deacons, D. B. Powell, and the church clerk, J. W. Shahan.

The Mississippi church was congratulated upon securing this good couple, and all Baptists in that section will join Beulah church in extending a warm welcome to the new workers.

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The personal values derived from family worship make it the source of creative spiritual growth. Corporate worship increases spiritual knowledge and experience; it awakens a sense of partnership with God, links life daily to the source of faith and sincerity, stimulates faithfulness to the reading of the Word and to prayer, and opens the windows of the soul that the light of God may illumine the inner recesses of the heart.—Norman W. Cox, Home Life.





## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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### ADD TO YOUR FAITH, WORKS

Have you been praying faithfully (or with faith) lately about something? Maybe it has been about BSU in your college or city. Maybe you have been praying that a BSU will be started in your locality. Maybe you have been praying for a local BSU Secretary in your city or college. Student or students' friend, by all means continue praying for this object so long as you know that it is not in opposition to God's will.

But add to your faithful praying, work. Pray that the Holy Spirit will put into your heart something you can do to bring this thing to pass. Pray that the Spirit will tell you what to do and then direct you in the doing of it. James, speaking for God, says "faith without works is dead." Is your faith dead?

### GOING TO THE DOGS

My grandpa notes the World's worn cogs,

And says, "we're going to the dogs," His grandad, in his house of logs, Swore things were "going to the dogs." His dad, amid the Flemish bogs, Vowed things were "going to the dogs;"

But this is what I wish to state, That the dogs have had an awful wait.

### A MAN WHO PRAYS

(From Pearl River BSU, Mrs. Edgar Glover, Student Secretary, comes this true episode.)

A puzzled student stopped and watched the little man kneel on the front porch of the Girls' Dormitory. He looked as if he were praying.

He was. The man was Mr. Bodie, the night watchman, who hurried to the dormitory every night after ringing the bell for conclusion of study hour to worship outside as the girls gather in the lobby for their nightly prayer service. "It just makes me feel good and the night's work isn't nearly so lonesome after I see that group of girls there, joining hands and praying together," Mr. Bodie told a teacher.

The five-minute nightly services, held in both Freshman and Sophomore Girls' Dormitories, are under auspices of the Baptist Student Union.

### SPREADING GOD'S WORD

Surely everyone of us believe in spreading the knowledge of the Bible to the ends of the earth. We shall soon have an opportunity to prove our belief in this project, for the American Bible Society is to receive an offering from our Mississippi Baptist Churches on Sunday, February 2. This date was set for this purpose by our Convention.

May I quote from the circular sent out by the Society: "Every man must have the Bible in his own native tongue if the Word of God is to speak to his heart. . . The American Bible Society. . . aids in translation, publishes the Scriptures without note or comment, supplies them at cost or less, and encourages their use. . . Japanese Christian leaders have requested 2,500,000 Japanese New Testaments. . . Only one-tenth of the world's people now possess the printed Word of God. . . The Bible, or some part of it, is published in 1,068 languages spoken by nine-tenths of

the human race."

May we give, knowing that if the Bible is placed in the hands of anybody who will read it, it (God's Word) will not return unto Him void.

### ISN'T EVERYTHING, BUT...

Money isn't everything, 'tis true, but it is important—to the Lord's work as well as to many others of our interests. Mississippi College is a Baptist College with a large Baptist enrollment, but even so, I think it is commendable that during a recent month the 616 Baptist students there gave \$697.33 to the cause of Christ. Eighty-eight per cent of Clarke's Baptist students contribute systematically to the churches to which they belong. Blue Mountain beats all I have seen thus far on church and unit organization membership, for every Baptist student in the college (according to a recent report) is a member of a local Baptist church and of at least one unit organization of the BSU.

These are fine records, aren't they? But we should expect our Baptist colleges to set the pace, in large measure. Considering the increase of obstacles found in our public and private colleges, some of them are making equally as good records as our three Baptist institutions of higher learning.

### MISCELLANEA

If you want to help our Negro Baptist students, the person who can help you the most, perhaps, is himself a Negro worker among the Negro students of Nashville, Tenn. His name and address: S. E. Grinstead, 2108 Meharry Blvd., Nashville 8, Tenn. . . In a tract from the Baptist Brotherhood of the South are these statements: "The main task of a Christian is to win souls to Christ. This is fundamental, and everything else is to be contributory to it. We believe it to be our Lord's desire that, on the day which we call Sunday, we shall give ourselves only to those engagements through which we can lend a spiritual influence that will advance his kingdom on the earth." . . "Are the irons hot? As hot as I can get them. Is the oil boiling? Yes. Fasten her in the chair. She can't move! O.K., give her the three-dollar permanent—Miss. College La Cadena. . . Chester Swor is at Crystal Springs First Baptist Church this week. We're glad he's staying in Miss., a little longer than usual. . . In the thirteen years since the repeal of prohibition, America has consumed 1,800,000,000 gallons of liquor, 1,000,000,000 gallons of wine, and more than 21,700,000,000 gallons of beer. The cost (in money) \$60,000,000,000. . . The new ambassador to Great Britain, Max Gardner, is a Baptist layman from Shelby, N. C. . . Texas Baptists have voted to establish a new college at Beeville. . . In the absence of Pastor Wyatt Hunter, I was privileged to supply the pulpit at First Church, McComb recently, much to my enjoyment and spiritual profit. . . This week I am in the midst of several campus visits.

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Max Gardner, Shelby, N. C., Baptist layman, has been named ambassador to Britain.



Department  
of Church  
Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

### SUMMER FIELD WORKER



MISS LILLIAN WEST

Miss Lillian West, public school teacher, Booneville High School, Booneville, Mississippi, will teach Schools of Music for us during June, July, and August. Miss West has taught piano at Vernon and East Tupelo.

She received her music education at Blue Mountain College and Southwestern Seminary.

Any church desiring her service will write the Music Department and we will put your date on our summer schedule. The school will run for five nights or days and any number of persons can attend. The Fundamentals of Music will be taught. The cost of this school for your church will be \$35. We will pay the traveling expenses.

The churches that write now will have the choice of any week. Other teachers already secured are John Swanner, H. P. Porter and Paul G. Fisher. You will have more information about them this month.

### LETTERS TO MUSIC TEACHERS

If you are a church musician of Mississippi, you should get a letter this week from the Music Department with a 1947 Music Emphasis Folder in it. If you do not receive it, write us today so that we can put your name on our mailing list.

### MUSIC EQUIPMENT

Does your church have all of the equipment needed for a good music program? How about a good Music Stand? A substantial stand with heavy base and a wooden rack is so much better than a small metal stand. A good stand will cost about \$6 and it will hold your music and Hymn book without tipping over.

Have you a good Music Blackboard for rehearsals? A good blackboard with the lines painted on will be a great help to directors in showing where mistakes are made.

Pianos are coming in now and every church ought to have good pianos that are well-tuned.

Hymnals are available on order. Place your order with the Baptist Book Store and the books will be shipped from Nashville.

How about books for your various choirs, ensembles, octets, quartets, duets, trios, and solos? If we can help

### N. O. Mississippi Club Meets

The Mississippi Club of the New Orleans Seminary held its second meeting of the year December 5, with 31 members present.

The meeting was opened with a song service led by Earl George and a devotional by John Holston.

Percy Herring's resignation as club reporter was accepted and Wilbur Carpenter elected to succeed him.

A very interesting quiz program was conducted by the club's president, Billy Stogner. Those present were divided into two competitive groups to answer questions regarding our denominational work in Mississippi. The questions were taken from the 1945 annual report of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Many asked that a similar program be arranged for a future presentation.

Following is a list of students from Mississippi who are enrolled at the New Orleans Seminary this session:

Marcus Alexander, Jayess; Tom Ashby, Pickens; Walter Barefoot, Columbia; Vernon Bellue, Liberty; H. D. Booth, Mt. Olive; Miss Mamie Booth, Mathiston; Miss Ruby Booth, Prentiss; Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur Carpenter, New Augusta; Henry Chisolm, West Enterprise; Harold Clower, Crystal Springs; James Ray Coleman, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. Earl Cooper, Baxterville; Eugene Cross, Hickory; Rev. and Mrs. Lewis Curtis, Brookhaven; R. R. Darby, Seminary; O. R. Daniels; N. F. Davis, Jr., Tylertown; Virgil Davis, Bassfield; Miss Estelle Ellington, Sallis; Miss Margaret Enslin, Hattiesburg; Edward C. Farr, Greenville; Glyn Flynt, Terry; Rev. and Mrs. Earl George, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. Percy Herring, Vaiden; Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Hoff, Crystal Springs; John Holston, Lumberton; Joe Hudson, Bassfield; Miss Mary Irby, State Line; Rev. and Mrs. Curtis James, Puckett; Don Jones, Louisville; Marvin Jones, Yazoo; Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Keebler, Moselle; J. Hardee Kennedy, Tylertown; Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Lindsey, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. R. E. McDonald, Wesson; Rev. and Mrs. Vernon May, Mendenhall; T. S. Messer, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Nelson, Union; Rev. and Mrs. Maxie Nelson, Monticello; Tom Pfeiffer, Poplarville; Miss Jean Ratliff, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Lewis Rhodes, Norwood; Rupert Ringold, Winona; W. H. Ross, Laurel; M. B. Rust, Lucedale; Charlie Sandifer, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. Arlis Smith, Piave; Miss Nora V. Smith, Jackson; E. Y. Solleau, Picayune; Billy Stogner, Tylertown; W. A. Trotman, Long Beach; Miss LaVerne Viverette, Union; Miss Sarah Williamson, Oak Vale; Bob G. Wilson, Summit and W. L. Yeatman, Hattiesburg.

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Once again it is necessary to remind our readers that we cannot give attention to unsigned articles. The Baptist Record is in receipt of a letter which contains some good information, but it is signed "Lula". The Baptist Record must know the last name before we can give heed to the news in the letter. We shall await receipt of this name.

you with these, please call upon us. We are getting copies every week from the different publishers.

For a School of Church Music write O. L. Chambers, Forest, Mississippi. He is a qualified teacher and approved by this Department.

All Training Union Ensemble books suggested in the 1947 Emphasis Folder are to be purchased from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Mississippi, and not from the Music Department.





## Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

### PASTORS AND LAYMEN TO MEET WITH BROTHERHOOD CONVENTION

Due to the fact that the Mississippi Baptist Convention voted in its 1946 session to begin its 1947 meeting on Monday night the Pastors and Laymen's Conference, which usually meets on Monday night and Tuesday morning preceding the Convention proper, found itself displaced from its usual time of meeting.

Responding to an invitation given by the Brotherhood leaders of the state to meet in connection with the State Brotherhood Convention, President Bruce C. Aultman, Hattiesburg, and Secretary William Potter, Carthage, of the Pastors and Laymen's Conference, announce that their body will meet on Monday evening and Tuesday morning, April 7 and 8, just prior to the meeting of the Brotherhood Convention, which begins its session at 2:00 p.m. April 8.

#### Very Convenient Arrangement

Since the same constituency is embraced by the Pastors and Laymen's Conference and the Brotherhood in its broader purposes, it seems fortunate that the two organizations can meet jointly. The two gatherings will blend perfectly into each other, the Conference assembling on Monday night and continuing until Tuesday noon, and the Brotherhood Convention taking up at 2:00 in the afternoon and closing with the night session. Surely both groups will profit from joining the two meetings. We are sure that more laymen will attend the Conference; and we feel certain that more of both pastors and laymen will attend the Brotherhood Convention.

#### Reserve Own Hotel Space

Reservation of hotel space will be left to the individuals or church groups. Hotels have been notified to hold large blocks of rooms for the entertainment of messengers; but it will be necessary to claim these rooms rapidly, or they will be given to other applicants. No provision will be made for rooms in homes.

#### Sessions at Calvary

By the gracious permission of Dr. Claude Bowen and the Calvary Baptist Church, both the Conference and the Brotherhood Convention will be held at Calvary Church, Jackson.

### CALVARY, PIKE, RECEIVES SOUTHWIDE RECOGNITION

Under the heading "Mississippi Brotherhood Enlists Entire Male Membership" the following article appeared in the current "Brotherhood Bulletin", published by the Southwide Brotherhood Office:

"The Calvary Baptist Church of Pricedale, Mississippi, has enlisted every man in the church membership in the Brotherhood movement. C. M. Price, local president, recently stated in a district Brotherhood meeting held in McComb, Mississippi, that within five months after the movement was launched in their church, every one of the thirty-six men who have their names on the church roll had been enlisted.

"Price was very enthusiastic in his praise of the Brotherhood when he spoke at the McComb district rally. He emphasized that about six months ago about ten men were carrying the entire load in the church. Now, he said, they have thirty-six men that can be counted on to render any prac-

tical service that the pastor may ask them to do.

"The Calvary Brotherhood meets weekly with an average attendance of thirty of its thirty-six men enrolled. President Price says that already their organized efforts in the promotion of a church centered program of activity has paid dividends for Christ in their community.

"Congratulations", concludes the article, "to Pastor Greer and President Price".

#### Ours, Too!

We certainly add our congratulations! We commend these fine men as a Brotherhood to the new pastor, Rev. Jas. A. Bryant, who has just accepted the church. May the Lord continue to bless them!

### BEACON, LAUREL, HAS GREAT MEETING

A special meeting was held by the Brotherhood of the Beacon Church, Laurel, on December 30. The welcome address was made by President C. C. Prescott. After various regular items of business and special music by the Brotherhood Quartet, two business men and one city official made addresses. Harry Smallwood, long identified with Brotherhood work, spoke first. Carroll Gartin, Mayor of the city of Laurel, spoke on "The Value of the Churches as an Asset to Our City". Horace Headrick, furniture merchant, president of Brotherhood District seven, spoke on "The Value of a Brotherhood to a Baptist Church". A social period followed.

Rev. Howard L. Courtney is the beloved pastor.

#### STATE LINE BANQUET

Rev. W. L. Warren believes that a Brotherhood ought to be up and moving. It was the privilege of the state Brotherhood Secretary, along with Bill Boutwell, Harry Smallwood, and Ernest Barrow, of Laurel, to attend a Brotherhood banquet held during the Christmas holidays for the State Line Brotherhood. The principal emphasis was on activities. The suggested calendar of activities for 1947 was presented by the Secretary. The other visitors made short talks. We look for great advances by the fine men of State Line.

#### BROTHERHOOD BULLETIN

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South now publishes a very interesting and helpful promotional quarterly called "The Brotherhood Bulletin". It is distributed free; but there are not enough copies prepared at this time to enable the Southwide Office to send one to each Brotherhood member.

If you would like to receive the "Brotherhood Bulletin", please drop us a card and we shall be glad to place your name on the Mississippi mailing list.

#### TWO NEW BROTHERHOOD

Immanuel, Hattiesburg, Rev. Troy Sumrall, pastor, sends a report on their officers as follows: president, N. S. Hand, 601 Tuscan Avenue; program vice-president, R. E. Griffis, care of Hattiesburg American; membership vice-president, D. D. Todd, 1307 Edwards St.; activities vice-president, R. G. Henderson, 1000 Edwards St.

First, Bay St. Louis, Rev. John T. Dearing, Jr., pastor, has just organized. The president is Hubert B. Duckworth; the membership vice-president is A. H. Gregory; and the secretary-

### South Carolina Baptists Charge Race Tension Fostered By Selfish Groups

COLUMBIA, S. C., —(RNS)— Delegates to the Baptist State Convention of South Carolina charged at the organization's annual meeting here that race tension in the South has been fostered by certain groups "to further their economic and political interests."

Adopting a resolution of its official service committee, the Convention also went on record as condemning "the revival of the Ku Klux Klan and the establishment of the Columbians."

Use of federal funds to aid denominational institutions was opposed by the delegates who also urged President Truman to withdraw Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative to the Vatican and denounce any effort of Roman Catholics to "circumscribe our missionary activities in South America or elsewhere."

The delegates criticized social and benevolent groups which have used lotteries to raise money and demanded that police enforce "the laws against lotteries and other forms of gambling." Legislation which would permit gambling, horse racing, lotteries, or gambling devices was condemned.

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### New Building Regulations To Permit Increased Church Construction

WASHINGTON, D. C., —(RNS)— President Truman's order relaxing building construction regulations throughout the nation will permit more new church construction and virtually unlimited additions or repair to existing structures, according to informed government sources here.

Frank R. Creedon, new national housing administrator, would not predict how much church, commercial, and other non-residential building would be permitted under the new directive. However, he said that "implementing" rules would be issued soon in order that all interested in building would know what could be undertaken.

In his housing order, President Truman specifically mentioned the need for new church construction, revealing that the campaign by different church groups had made an impression on the White House.

Although all priorities on building materials were virtually lifted by the new ruling, the Civilian Production Administration of the Office of Contemporary Controls will have the power to make the final disposition of such materials.

In practice, it is thought here, church groups will be able to buy practically all the construction materials they need, providing the goods are available and the price is not too high. What few controls will remain after the "implementing" rules are announced also are expected to be abolished within a few months.

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An upswing of baptisms in late reporting Tennessee associations gives the state an estimated 21,565 instead of the 17,843 reported last week. If late reporting associations in other states register similar gains, there is a possibility that Southern Baptist baptisms for 1946 will equal the 1945 figure.

treasurer is H. M. Barager. All addresses Bay St. Louis.



REV SIDNEY B. DENMAN

### CHARLESTON ORDAINS SIDNEY B. DENMAN

On Sunday, November 3rd, at 2:30 p.m. an examining council met at the First Church, Charleston, to examine Sidney B. Denman for his ordination to the full work of the gospel ministry. Dr. G. E. Wiley of Grenada was elected moderator, and Reverend David T. Cranford of Charleston was elected clerk. After a most careful examination regarding his christian experience, call to the ministry, soundness in the doctrine, and as to practice, both from the standpoint of the local work and as to cooperation with our organized work he was unanimously recommended to the church for ordination.

Others on the examining council were Reverend Thomas G. Ashby, Reverend J. Millsted. Brother Denman was ordained at the evening worship hour, Sunday November 3rd. He has been called as pastor of the Paul Baptist Church in the Tallahatchie Baptist Association. He is a senior at Mississippi College.

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#### ELLIS CAUSEY

A servant of the Master has gone to rest. Our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to call from our midst, brother Ellis Causey, who for many years kept alive the spirit of Christ in Calvary. His devotion and unselfish life to Christ is an inspiration to those left behind. His loving memory lingers on.

Ellis Causey, a loyal member of Calvary Baptist Church, Deacon, humble Christian and church worker, has gone to be with the Saviour whom he loved and served.

BE IT RESOLVED: By the Board of Deacons of Calvary Baptist Church, that we express our thanks to God for his life among us, and the spirit he manifested in furthering the cause of Christ; and

Second, that we pledge ourselves to carry on in the spirit of Christ and cherish the memory of his fellowship and consecrated life;

Be It Further Resolved that we extend to his bereaved family our sincere sympathy, and prayers; and

Be It Further Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Brother Causey's Family, a copy spread in the minutes of Calvary Baptist Church and a copy be sent to the Baptist Record for publication.

#### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

B. B. McCLENDON

J. L. DENSON

W. A. RUMMELLS.



## DOROTHY PAGE

## CHAPTER X (Continued)

## The Disciple Preacher

"You would think," said Dorothy, "That they would have said 'believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be baptized and thou shalt be saved', would you not, Mr. Garland?"

"Yes, but you notice that just a little while afterwards that very night the jailer was baptized. You see the baptism had to come. In fact, baptism always came immediately after believing. It was a necessary part, and the work was not complete until the baptism had taken place."

"But does that prove that the baptism was a part of the man's conversion or salvation?" asked Sterling. "Suppose the person had fallen dead just after he had believed and before any baptism was performed on him, would he not have been saved? If so, I think it proves that he was saved simply by believing, and that baptism is simply a matter of obedience."

"By the way, Mr. Sterling," said Dorothy, "you remember that passage in Romans where it speaks of being buried by baptism. We found that baptism was a picture of something that had already taken place in the person's heart and life—that he had been buried to his old life and risen to a new life. It is not baptism, therefore, that helps to make the change in a person, but it simply pictures the change that has already taken place."

"What is the use of a person being baptized?" asked Mr. Garland, "if he can be saved without being baptized?"

"Mr. Garland, I trust that I have already been saved by believing in Christ. I want to be baptized, however, not to help me to be saved, for if I am not saved now I certainly do not think my going down into the water will make me any more saved. I simply want to be baptized because Christ was baptized and because he commands all who believe in him to be baptized, and because all those who claimed to believe in him in the days of the apostles were baptized. I reckon I will find from the Bible that there are a great many other things besides baptism that I must do, but that does not mean that the doing of all these things is a part of my conversion or salvation."

"I guess you take up these duties because you are already a Christian and already saved. If you were not already a Christian I guess you would not feel like doing them," said the father.

"I do not exactly agree to that," remarked Mr. Garland, "and yet I do not think we are very far apart. There are some people of our denomination who go to an extreme and declare that the water does wash away sins, and they seem to put more stress on the baptism than on the believing. My doctrine is that every believer must be baptized, and that unless he does become baptized he has no right to consider himself saved."

"But that is different," said Dorothy. "Of course, if a person refuses to be baptized, although he believes that Christ commands it, why, such a person has no right to claim to be converted. I can't imagine a converted person flatly refusing to do what he believes Christ commands. I cannot understand, Mr. Garland, just what your doctrine about baptism is."

"We have other doctrine which I

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am sure you will like," said Mr. Garland.

"What is that?" asked Dorothy, who was eager to learn everything possible about the denomination.

"We believe in what is called open communion rather than in what is called close communion."

"I don't understand what you mean."

"I mean this. The Lord gave two ordinances to the church, baptism and the Lord's Supper."

"Yes, that is what Mr. Sterling told us."

"Now as to communion, one of the questions of the day about which Christians are divided is the question as to who ought to be admitted to the communion."

"Let me understand clearly about the Lord's Supper. I have read about it in the New Testament, but I wish you would explain it to me fully."

"Christ, on the last night that he spent with his apostles, instituted this supper of bread and wine."

"Yes, I have read that."

"He told them that the bread typified his body that was that night to be broken for them, and that the wine poured out typified his blood that was that night to be poured out for them, and that when he was gone they must repeat that ceremony, and they must do that in remembrance of him; and that as often as they did that they would show forth his death until he should come again."

"What a beautiful thought! And so

that is why the people in the church have the communion? I see it clearly now. What, then, do you mean by open communion?"

"I mean that we throw the door to the communion table open. We do not say that nobody but members of our denomination should come to our communion table, but that anybody who loves the Lord may come."

"You mean anybody who is a Christian?"

"Yes."

"Well, that would certainly seem proper. Does the Bible specify who ought to come to the communion?"

"We simply have to take the practice of the apostles and early Christians. It looks as if all people who loved the Lord were welcome to the table."

"Don't all people believe alike on that point?" asked Dorothy.

"Yes, all except the Baptists. They believe that none but Baptist people have any right to the communion."

"Oh, how selfish!"

"They believe that unless you have been immersed you must not come to the table," said Mr. Sterling, "and they will not let anybody come to the table when they have it in their church unless he has been baptized in their way."

"Why not?"

"I don't know, unless it be because they are so ignorant and narrow."

"Maybe they believe," ventured Dorothy, "that a person ought to be baptized before he takes the communion."

"Of course," said Sterling, "that is

just what they do believe; and since I come to think of it, our church holds the same position as to baptism. Our church believes that a person must first be baptized."

"You mean," said Dorothy, "that your church and the Baptists believe alike on the communion question?"

"Not exactly. We both believe that baptism must come before the communion, but we differ as to what constitutes baptism."

"Does the Bible teach that a person must be baptized before he can commune?"

"The Bible teaches that all who believed were immediately baptized. That always seemed to be the first thing they did."

"It seems the natural thing to me," said the father, "for baptism to come first, and before the other duties of the Christian life. In the passages which we have studied baptism seemed to follow on the heels of believing. The question is, however, does the Bible have anything to say on that subject? Does it teach that baptism must come before the communion?"

"I think it would look strange for a person to be going to the communion table before he was baptized," said Dorothy.

"Excuse me, Miss Page," said Mr. Garland. "Is it a question as to what you or I might think ought to be done, or is it a question as to what the Bible teaches? I affirm that the Bible does not state that baptism is a prerequisite to the communion."

"That is a somewhat new question to me," said Dorothy, looking at Mr. Sterling, as if he were the proper one to give the answer.

"We do not have from the lips of Christ the actual words," said Mr. Sterling, "ye must be baptized before partaking of the communion", but I think it is definitely implied in Scripture. In the first place, take the command of Christ: 'Go ye into all the world and disciple all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.' There you have first baptism, and next observing all things that Christ has commanded, and the Lord's Supper is one of these things."

"Very true," said Mr. Garland, "but you exclude the great body of Christians from the table simply on your interpretation of that one verse."

"Isn't this the proof?" asked Dorothy. "In nearly all the passages about baptism we have read we found that baptism always came immediately after the believing; and father, I feel that I must not delay my baptism. What shall I do, and whom shall I ask to baptize me? I think, Mr. Garland, that I ought not to go to the communion table until I have been baptized. That seemed to be the custom in the days of the apostles."

"Suppose people in the days of the apostles did become baptized quickly after conversion," said Mr. Garland, "would that prove that no one has a right to commune before he has been baptized?"

"I think it does, if we find that in every case the first thing people did after believing was to be baptized. It must mean that they were instructed by the apostles that baptism came first."

"Do you mean that it would have been wrong for them to have done

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## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

W. R. ROBERTS, Associate



MRS. H. R. JONES

Mrs. H. R. Jones, former Southwide Cradle Roll and Nursery superintendent, will lead the conferences for Nursery workers at our State Sunday School Convention in McComb, March 11-12. Mrs. Jones is the author of the training course book, **THE NURSERY DEPARTMENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL**.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

**WHAT?** State Sunday School Convention

**WHEN?** March 11-12, 1947

**WHERE?** First Baptist Church, McComb

**THEME—**Advancing With Christ

A great program is being planned with outstanding speakers and conference leaders from the state and the South. All indications point to the largest and most important Sunday school Convention we have had in several years. It will be two full days.

We hope each pastor and superintendent will plan early for delegations to attend.

### JANUARY 21 IMPORTANT DATE

January 21 is the day for simultaneous associational meetings in all associations in the South to get teams ready to go into every church during February to present the 1947 program of Sunday school work.

Packages of materials have gone to all associational Sunday school leaders. This material has all information necessary for the teams that go into the churches during February. The purpose of these February meetings in the churches is to help them to plan some forward steps for the year.

So, January 21 is the day for each associational meeting in order to get the teams all selected and ready, and the schedule made, for the church meetings during February.

### WINSTON ASSOCIATION READY

Rev. N. G. Hickman, Missionary of the Winston association, wrote some days ago that their teams were almost complete, and that they planned a get-together banquet for the team captains and others in order to get everything in good shape for going into all the churches.

This is the thing that every association needs to do, because so much of the success of our work for this year depends upon getting the teams ready for the February church meetings. The slogan is: "Into Every Church During February. Let's work hard to make it 100%."

### GOOD RECORDS MADE

From reports recently received from

the Nashville office of last year's work, we find that Mississippi had the highest per cent of the Sunday school enrollment gain during 1946 over 1945 of any of the states except one of the very small ones where the membership is low.

We also find that of the states with 1,500 or more churches Mississippi tied for second place in the per cent of associations reporting Sunday school training. Among these same states, we tied for third place in the per cent of churches reporting Sunday school training. We were also well up in the list of total standard units.

We are indeed grateful to all who had a part in helping us to have such a successful year during 1946. We trust that 1947 may be even greater in every way as we launch out on a full program for bigger and better Sunday schools.

### SEND US YOUR STANDARDS

December 31 closed the first quarter of this Sunday school year. Since January is the first month that classes and departments can make application for standard recognition for a full quarter's work in this Sunday school year, we hope that superintendents and teachers will not delay the important matter of filling out and mailing to us these applications. Many have already done so, and they are coming in each day, but there are many, many others that need to do this during January.

Do not wait until late in the year before giving to your people the pleasure and privilege of enjoying their standard recognition, if any classes and departments, as well as schools, have reached all the points.

Remember, standard units are better!

If you need application blanks, or standard charts, write us and we shall be happy to send them. You will find that a careful check up, study, and definite effort to reach all the points in the standard will most certainly result in a better type of work being done.

Therefore, send us your standard applications during January.

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### Rev. W. M. McGehee Is Pastor At Williamsburg And Victory

Rev. W. M. McGehee has resigned the field composed of Bethel (Lincoln County) and Oak Grove (Mississippi Association) and accepted Williamsburg (Covington County) and Victory (Jeff Davis) Churches.

Having had the EVERY FAMILY Plan at Bethel and Oak Grove he states that if either Williamsburg or Victory do not have the Record he will do something about it. (Editor's note: Both churches have the EVERY FAMILY Plan).

Both Williamsburg and Victory Churches gave generous poundings when Pastor McGehee and family moved to the new field.

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**THE CHOIR HERALD, THE CHOIR LEADER, AND THE VOLUNTEER CHOIR** which sell for 15 and 12 cents per copy will be helpful to choir leaders. Each one contains from five to seven selections for choirs. Orders should be sent to the publisher, Lorenz Publishing Co., Dayton, Ohio.

## DOROTHY PAGE

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anything whatever before baptism?" "Of course they could not cease all activity."

"Why, then, do you pick out the Lord's Supper as something they must not engage in until they were baptized?"

"Because," said Sterling, "there are two ordinances, and if the ordinance of baptism always came first, then the other ordinance must not come first, and so I think it is clear that only baptized persons had the right to the table. Don't you remember about the people converted on the day of Pentecost? It reads 'then they that gladly received his words were baptized', and then in the next verse we read that 'they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrines and prayer and in breaking of bread'. Notice 'breaking of bread' came after baptism."

"Does the Bible say anything about who ought to commune or who did commune in those days?" asked Dorothy.

"Get your concordance, daughter," said the father.

Dorothy did so and soon turned to a passage about the Lord's Supper. "In First Corinthians, chapter nine, the writer is writing to some people about celebrating the Lord's Supper."

"Is that so?" exclaimed the father. "Find out then whom he is writing to and who are taking part in that supper, and that will answer your question."

"It was the Corinthian church," said Mr. Sterling.

"If it was the members of the church who were taking communion, then they must all have been baptized, don't you think so, Mr. Garland?" asked Dorothy.

"I guess the members of that church at Corinth which was founded by Paul were all baptized."

"It does look plain, then," said Dorothy, "that all those early Christians were first baptized and then took the communion and then performed the duties that came up."

"Yes," spoke up Mr. Sterling, glad to join the forces with Dorothy against Garland, "baptism was a duty to be performed once and for all time and in the beginning, but the communion is something that is to be observed right along through the Christian life at regular times."

"Mr. Garland," said Dorothy, "I can't understand why anyone should want to come to the communion table before he is baptized. Why does he not do the first duty first?"

"I don't see the point in all this," said the father. "I think it is a clear proposition that baptism always comes first after believing and before communion. But all the churches baptize—Presbyterians, Disciples, Methodists and the rest. Why, then, cannot they all commune together?"

"Ah!" said Mr. Garland with a smile, "there is the point. These other denominations have been sprinkled, but according to the Bible they have not been baptized. Now if I believed that baptism had to come before communion, I would not commune with the Presbyterians, Methodists and others who sprinkle, because I do not believe they have been scripturally baptized; but even though I think them unbaptized, yet I would invite them to the communion, because I do not think baptism is necessary to the communion."

"That certainly sounds strange,"

## Kentucky To Have Baptist High School

LOUISVILLE, Ky., —(RNS)— Kentucky's first Baptist high school, to accommodate 200 students, is planned by the 18th Street Baptist church in the southwestern section of Louisville. The school will be the second of its kind in the United States, according to the Rev. Oscar Gibson, pastor.

Courses in the Bible and religion will be included in the curriculum, but the co-educational school will be primarily academic, not religious. Construction of the building, at a cost of \$100,000, will be started next summer on a three-acre site purchased by the congregation for a new church building and educational structure.

The high school building also will be used for the church Sunday school.

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Stephens College in Missouri has announced the election of Dr. Homer Rainey as president to succeed President Wood. Dr. Rainey was president of Franklin, and Bucknell before going to the University of Texas as president in 1939.

said Dorothy. "Why, I thought you considered baptism so important that a person could not be saved unless he was baptized; and now you say baptism is not necessary for the communion. That seems contradictory. I should think if baptism is essential to salvation it surely would be essential to taking the communion. Do you think a person ought to take the communion who has not been converted?"

"Of course not."

"This is what puzzles me," said Dorothy. "You say a person can't be converted without baptism. If an unbaptized person should come to your communion table claiming to be converted, would you not have to deny his conversion because he had not been baptized? You say you do not require baptism before communion, and yet when you require conversion before communion you thereby require baptism before communion, because you say there can be no conversion without baptism. In other words, you must hold that an unbaptized person cannot come to your table."

"That does look like a clear proposition, daughter," said Mr. Page.

"Let me ask you this question, Mr. Garland," said Dorothy: "Why do you admit members of other denominations to your table?"

"Because it is not my table, but the Lord's table, and I have no right to shut any of his people out."

"You think the members of other denominations are Christians, then, do you?"

"Certainly they are; probably as good Christians as we are. We do not set ourselves up as being better than others."

"How can you think they are Christians? You do not think with their sprinkling and pouring they have been scripturally baptized, do you?"

"No, I do not."

"How, then, can you think them converted? I understood you to say that none are perfectly converted and saved until after baptism, and you say that sprinkling and pouring are not Scriptural baptism. Therefore you must think they are not Scripturally converted and saved."

"But such people think they have been scripturally baptized, and they do what they consider right."

"But do you think it is right?"

(Continued next week)



## SPARKS &amp; SPLINTERS

The building fund at Newton continues to grow. On January first it totalled \$50,000. Pastor Morris baptized two the first Sunday in January.

**THE BIBLE SPEAKS** by Francis Carr Stifler and published by Duell, Sloan and Pearce, Inc., 270 Madison Avenue, New York 16, N. Y. is a splendid book which tells how the World's Greatest Book is playing its important role in the reconstruction of a war blasted world. It will also lead the reader to the Bible in a way that will enable him to read it searchingly. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

**AND SOME BELIEVED** by Chaplain Arthur F. Glasser, U.S.N.R., price \$2, is a thrilling story told by Chaplain Glasser, who landed on the bloody beaches of New Britain with the First Marine Division. In reading this book one feels the weariness of days and nights of fighting in the steaming South Pacific jungle. The author tells how he worked and prayed **AND SOME BELIEVED**. Published by Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago. Order from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen M. Hobbs of Greenwood announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Inda Doyle Hobbs, to William Goebel Mize, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Mize of Jackson. Mr. Mize, Senior, is superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage.

Rev. C. E. Welch has been pastor of Central Church, Memphis, for 15 years. For the past three years contributions of the church have averaged \$61 per member per year. The average for 1946 was \$93.66. Pastor Welch was reared in Simpson County and educated at Mississippi College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

R. C. Kent who died at Greenwood on November 26, 1946 willed \$500 to Calvary Church, Greenwood. Dr. R. A. Tullos is pastor of the church.

**REBUILDING WITH CHRIST**, By Dr. Walter A. Maier, (Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, \$1.75) is the 14th in the series of Lutheran Hour books containing the radio messages of Dr. Maier. Whenever this preacher-professor speaks he is heard and what he writes is inspirational, illustrative and informative concerning the great and revealed Truth of God's Word. The heart-warming, soul-stirring Scriptural messages of this new publication is true and absolute "to the faith once delivered" and the reader will find spiritual refreshment and courage from its pages. Seventeen masterful radio sermons, which in their genesis were probably heard by more people than any other religious broadcast, comprise the book and this reviewer picks the chapter-sermon of "Wake Up, America" as the choicest of morsels to be read and spread with genuine delight. From the heart and pen of one who comprehends the needs of the time and delivered by a preacher who believes with all his heart in the infallibility of God's Word, this book should find its way into the 'must read' list of every evangelical pastor and Christian worker.

Louisiana Baptists have adopted a budget of \$330,000 for 1947. Sixty-five per cent will go to State causes and 35% to Southwide objects. Forty-six thousand dollars was allocated to Louisiana College. The various departments are to receive the following

amounts: Sunday School \$8,770; Training Union \$8,200; Student Union \$11,100; Brotherhood \$8,310; W.M.U. \$15,000; Music \$4,500; State Mission Objects \$65,000. Five thousand dollars was allocated to the Baptist Message (state paper).

The proposed budget for Immanuel Church, Lexington, Kentucky, Dr. Elwyn N. Wilkinson (Mississippian), pastor, calls for \$84,000. Of the total budget \$20,800 is allocated for Current Expense; and \$15,600 for the Cooperative Program. Among the designated items totalling \$32,000, are such items as \$2,000 for the Orphanages, \$1,000 for Christian Education and \$1,000 for the salary of a foreign missionary. Definite plans for reaching high goals in Sunday School, Training Union, W.M.U., the Choirs, Deacons and Trustees and for the entire Church have been presented to the church in a Calendar of Activities for 1947.

An Annual of the Hawaii Baptist Convention was received the latter part of 1946. The Annual was published by the Executive Council of the Hawaii Baptist Convention, 2323 University Avenue, Honolulu 5, Hawaii. Included in the Annual are the minutes of the First Annual Meeting, 1943; Minutes of the Second Annual Meeting, 1944; and Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting 1945; Reports given at the Third Annual Meeting. Histories of the Churches of the Convention; The Constitution, Statistics and Directory; History of Woman's Missionary Union and Minutes of the Annual Meeting 1945. Among the workers in Hawaii are listed Rev. and Mrs. James D. Belote, of Wahiawa, Oahu. Mrs. Belote is a Mississippian. Her father is superintendent of schools at Sumner.

On January 5 the building fund of Highland Church, Meridian, Rev. E. L. Byrd, pastor, totalled \$22,999.86.

Pearl River Associational Missionary S. J. Rhodes underwent a serious operation in Poplarville Hospital, January 7. He is now recuperating at his home in Poplarville.

Evangelist Barney Walker preached in First Church, Poplarville, January 12. He was pastor when the church paid off a crushing church debt.—Judson Chastain, pastor.

Mrs. B. F. Holland who recently underwent a serious head operation at Baptist Hospital, Memphis, is now back at home in Vossburg. She is grateful for the prayers of many Christian friends and loved ones.

Rev. L. O. Dewese has resigned Antioch Church in Rankin County and accepted the pastorate of Pearlhaven Church, Brookhaven. He will continue to live at Clinton where he is a student at Mississippi College, until he completes his work in June.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. Joe T. Odle, Crystal Springs; Rev. J. A. Barnhill, Jackson; Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Dr. Walter L. Johnson, Philadelphia; O. L. Chambers, Forest; Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Waggener, D'lo; W. N. Taylor, Jackson; Rev. J. H. Hammett, Yazoo City; Rev. G. O. Parker, Magee; Rev. F. B. Bookter, McComb; Rev. V. W. Malley, Harrisville; Rev. J. F. Woodson, Tupelo; Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Clinton; Rev. Wm. H. Hewitt, Summit; Rev. W. H. Cook, Evanston, Ill.; J. B. Gordon, Jackson; Sydney Berry, Jackson; A. L. McCormick, Jackson; Rev. William Potter, Carthage; Rev. Guy A. Little, Crystal Springs; Rev. J. C. Allen, Carthage; Clay Gipson, Carthage; Dean Wilson, Carthage; Whitney Harrison, Fayette; Virgil D. Davis, Clinton.



REV. CHALMUS BLACKWELL

## Southside Church Ordains Blackwell

The South Side Baptist church in Meridian ordained to the gospel ministry, Rev. Chalmus Blackwell on November 24. Pastor Estus A. Mason presided, and presented the Bible from the church, to the young man who is a member of the congregation at South Side. The prayer of ordination was led by Rev. Eugene Farr of Clarke College. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. Bernard McPheeters, pastor of the Heidelberg church.

The new minister has been called as pastor of the Mt. Vernon Baptist church in Lauderdale Association. He is at present studying at Clarke College in Newton.

—BR—

Rev. W. O. Carter has resigned the pastorate of New Prospect Church, Lincoln County, and moved to Silver Creek. He is open for a pastorate or supply work.

In the issue of Jan. 9 First Church Hattiesburg was credited with 200 at Sunday school. The figures were correct but it was Training Union.

**MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER**  
January 20—James Horton, Marion County Convention Board Member.  
January 21—Rev. James Fairchild, B. T. U. President, District 1.  
January 22—Ernestine Cooper, Secretary in office of Dr. D. A. McCall.  
January 23—H. H. Aultman, Marshall County Convention Board Member; Local B. S. U. Secretaries meeting in Jackson today and tomorrow.  
January 24—Mrs. B. L. Dildy, book-keeping department, Baptist Headquarters.  
January 25—Charlie Morgan, Convention Board Member, Liberty Association; Prayer for meeting of Associational Missionaries at Clarke College, January 27-31.  
January 26—Leland Speed, President Mississippi Baptist Foundation; Harry T. Smallwood, President Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood.

—BR—

The First Baptist church at Columbus has selected the following men to serve as deacons for a term of three years: J. H. Chrestman, Malcolm Heard, Clarence Johnson, Bob Leshe, Woodrow Neves and Rush C. Smith. These were selected December 29 from a list of 15 nominations made previously. Dr. J. D. Franks is pastor.

The Rocky Creek church in George county raised \$2,005 for the building fund at a Christmas program during the recent season.

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Missionary John Abernathy writes from Tsinan, Shantung, China, that about one hundred new converts were baptized the past summer in the churches there. Two new pastors were ordained and one new church organized. At the time he wrote there seemed to have been some improvement in the political situation in that part of China. Recently a lieutenant general in the Chinese army became interested in Christianity. He comes to church regularly with his wife and daughter and reads his Bible daily. By his invitation Missionary Abernathy has the privilege every Friday morning of visiting his army headquarters and witnessing for Christ to some 250 officers, many of whom make inquiry about the Christian way.

A dear friend who is a member of the First Baptist Church, Eastman, Georgia, recently sent \$1,000 to the Foreign Mission Board as a memorial to her son who gave his life for his country during World War II.

Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., sends word of a very significant and encouraging step taken recently by the Argentina Senate. A bill had been pending before the Senate which would have required the registration of all denominations except the Roman Catholic. Such a bill, had it become a law, would have imposed rigid restrictions on all evangelical work. Although the Senate approved more than 1,000 decrees in one session, this decree was omitted, largely as a result of the protest of the evangelical forces. This is counted a victory for religious freedom continuing a policy which has existed in Argentina for generations.

Our forces in Columbia are publishing a Baptist paper called "Heraldo Bautista", recently moved to Bogota with Missionary Gerald Riddell as head. The purpose of this publication is to keep the people informed concerning Baptist progress around the world.

Here is a very gratifying word from Dr. Baker James Cauthen concerning evangelistic opportunities in China. "November has given fresh evidence of the remarkable evangelistic opportunities of the present day. Meetings in the Cantonese High School in Shanghai resulted in 112 professions of faith. During evangelistic services of the Leung Kwang Bible Conference in Canton, which were attended by hundreds of students, 224 came forward in public surrender to Christ as Saviour. In the two high schools conducted by the North Gate Baptist Church of Shanghai, Dr. H. H. McMillan led meetings resulting in approximately 200 professions of faith in each. Great interest prevailed at the University of Shanghai as the Religious Emphasis Week was led by a Chinese pastor."

Dr. Cauthen writes, "While publicity is being given in China to unite St. John's University, Soochow University and Hangchow Christian College into one institution on one campus, Chinese Baptists are grateful for their decision to maintain the University of Shanghai as a definite Baptist university and are determined to stress its Christian purpose without apology."

With reference to rehabilitation Dr. Cauthen reports gratifying progress in a number of places and that church buildings have been reconstructed. "During the summer when Dr. Rankin and I were in South China, we were in the midst of wrecked or damaged buildings. When I was in Canton two weeks ago, I saw an entirely different situation which has

been made possible by rehabilitation funds. The beautiful Tungshan Church is now repaired and more than a thousand people fill the auditorium each Sunday morning for worship. Approximately eight thousand students study in Baptist schools in Canton, Hongkong, and Macao. Nearly two hundred children sing and play in the kindergarten while Bible women visit their homes to tell the story of Christ. Well constructed buildings now provide comfortable quarters for the Leung Kwang Orphanage, the Leung Kwang Old People's Home, and the MoDwang Blind School. Work is in progress over a wide territory making possible the repair of churches and chapels. Fully reconstructed residences are ready for missionary families shortly expected. Much remains to be done, but progress

already made is nothing short of remarkable. Special mention should be made of the untiring work of Dr. Eugene Hill who has done much to bring this about."

On January 3, our dear comrade, Rev. P. W. Hamlett was released from his suffering of many months and entered into his eternal reward. He received his appointment to China forty years ago and rendered glorious service as a missionary of our Board.

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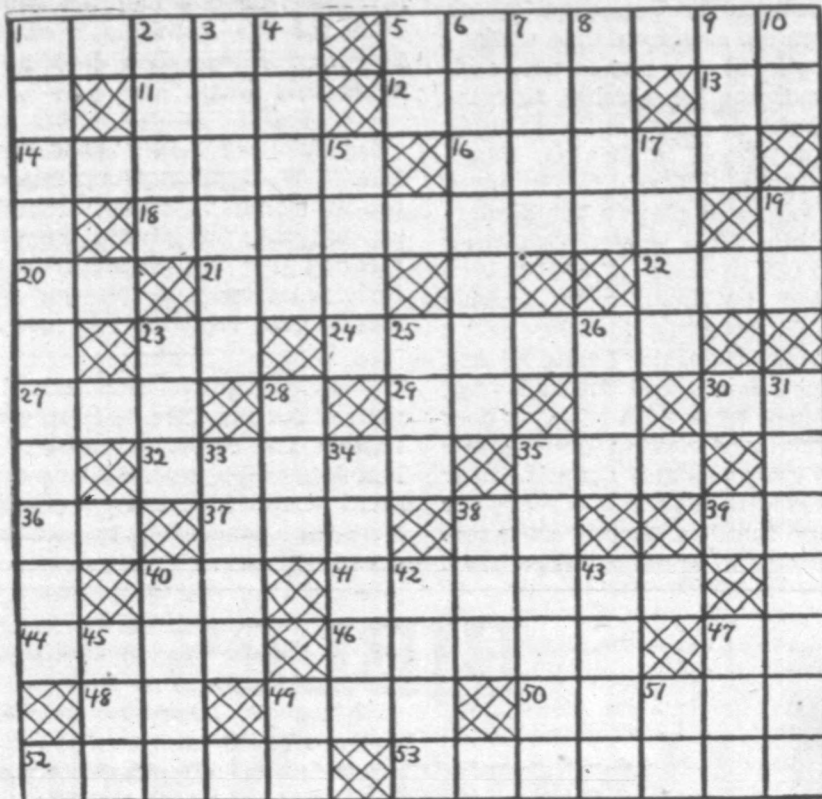
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## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."—COL. 3:1.

## ACROSS

- 4 "The . . . of the valley shall be sweet unto him"
- 5 Sayings attributed to Jesus.
- 11 "the hope . . . before us"
- 12 " . . . life is hid with Christ in God"
- 13 "but Christ . . . all, and in all"
- 14 Take another trip; serial (anag.)
- 16 Collection of maps
- 18 "without natural . . ."
- 20 New England state
- 21 Newt
- 22 "leaning upon the . . . of his staff"
- 23 "And have put . . . the new man"
- 24 "And above all these . . . put on charity"
- 27 "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, . . . ear heard"
- 29 Giant king of Bashan
- 30 Paul is one
- 32 "who is . . . all"
- 35 "be . . . bitter against them"
- 36 "in respect of . . . holiday"
- 27 "he is of . . . ; ask him"
- 38 Father
- 39 "yet . . . I with you in the spirit"
- 40 "Where Christ sitteth . . . the right hand of God"
- 41 "that in all . . . he might have the preeminence"
- 44 Trees
- 46 Literary work formed of selections
- 47 "For . . . pleased the Father"
- 48 The home of Joseph
- 49 "put off . . . old man"
- 50 "all the ends of the . . ."
- 52 "seek peace, and . . . it"
- 53 " . . . not the work of God"

Our Text from Colossians is 11, 12, 18, 23, 24, 32, 35, 40, 41, 48, 49, and 50 combined.

## DOWN

- 1 Rude inn in the East
- 2 Mountain of Thessaly

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- 4 "speak not with a . . . neck"
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- 6 Wild fig of Asia Minor (two words)
- 7 Town in Switzerland
- 8 Masculine name; oral (anag.)
- 9 "and took it out of the way; nailing it to . . . cross"
- 10 "even . . . Christ forgave you, so also do ye"
- 15 He lives in western Russia
- 17 "The . . . are a people not strong"
- 19 "Rooted and built . . . in him, and established in the faith"
- 23 Mouths
- 25 Dig
- 26 Earth, a combining form
- 28 "for a living . . . is better than a dead lion"
- 31 "This charge I commit unto thee, son . . ."
- 33 Notice of a proposed marriage
- 34 Plant
- 35 An edict giving toleration to Protestants was issued here
- 38 Samson "went away with the . . . of the beam"
- 40 Possesses
- 42 "Neither give . . . to fables and endless genealogies"
- 43 "But the . . . on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat"
- 45 Age
- 47 Japanese admiral
- 49 Tellurium
- 51 Means of transportation

Pastor E. F. Brashear writes that Oak Grove Church in Calhoun County has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan to be effective when the present subscriptions expire.

**THE SHIFTING OF THE SCENES**, by E. Schuyler English is a pamphlet of 48 pages discussing the Signs of the times. Its chapters are: 1. "The Last Days", 2. "Where is the Promise of Christ's Coming?" 3. "Wars and Rumors of Wars", 4. "Grievous Times—Socially and Morally", 5. "The Wandering Jew", 6. "Power Politics" 7. "The Woman in Purple and Scarlet", 8. "The Atom Bomb". This is a clear, sane discussion of modern events in the light of the Bible written by an eminent scholar and teacher. Published by Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., at 35 cents. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING  
UNION ATTENDANCE

January 12, 1947

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Booneville	226	90
Oak Grove, Calhoun County	44	
Laurel, Beacon Church	224	119
Cross Roads, Webster		
County	59	
Byram	74	52
Chester	72	
Mt. Pisgah Rankin County	76	
West Point	343	109
Newton	413	195
Hattiesburg, Main St.	704	317
Crystal Springs	500	113
East McComb	337	171
Natchez Westside	125	103
New Zion Copiah County	83	45
Centreville	123	34
Brookhaven	613	129
Liberty Hill, Panola County	49	26
Wallerville	70	31
Tocowa	35	31
Houlka, Chickasaw County	51	28
Center, Union County	80	40
Tupelo, Harrisburg	235	87
Cherry Creek,		
Pontotoc County	55	
West Corinth	175	139
New Albany	521	215
West Laurel	377	100
Laurel, First	542	119
Jackson, Northside	283	131
Jackson, Southside	136	79
Jackson, First	1,200	421
Daniel	201	75
Van Winkle	246	139
Summit	119	94
Jackson, Parkway	495	219
Hattiesburg, First		208

January 5, 1947

West Corinth	172	109
Chester	60	
Houlka, Chickasaw County	58	23
Corinth, Tate Street	160	54
Chalybeate	37	31
Liberty Hill, Panola County	23	
Cherry Creek,		
Pontotoc County	51	
Hattiesburg, First		200

B. M. GRADUATE SOLICITS  
STUDENT AS SHE RIDES

Miss Ruth Taylor, De Funiak Springs, Florida, who graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1945, is educational director of the Woodlawn Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama, and has been elected Association Y. W. A. President for this year.

A letter just received by Frank E. Skilton from Miss Taylor gives the following information: "Going home Christmas on the bus, a girl sat down by me here in Birmingham. She only had a fifteen minute ride to the out-

1946 WAS A RECORD YEAR  
FOR MAIN STREET CHURCH

The year 1946 was a record-breaking year for Main Street Church, Hattiesburg. Rev. John E. Barnes is pastor. Listed below are some of the record-breaking items:

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Additions in 1946 totalled 328, 83 by baptism.

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skirts of town, but a miracle happened. I don't know how everybody seems to find out I went to Blue Mountain—it must have slipped out. Anyway this girl said her pastor was trying to get her to go there next year (1947, September). She sounded interested and interesting. Plays piano (been playing since she was a small child), and said she had a straight "A" average in school. She is finishing high school in May. I told her I would have a catalog sent to her. Will you see about this, and maybe if you would write her, that would help."

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## Sunday School Lesson

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Lesson for January Nineteenth  
**THE ONE ESSENTIAL THING.** John 3:1-21. I. A Night Visitor. He was an elegant gentleman, a man of learning, a member of the Sanhedrin, the Jewish court of High Opinion and, I think, the president of the rabbinical college.

This cultured ruler "came unto Him by night". Why, "by night?" Was it simply that he was ashamed for his associates to know that he had called upon Jesus? Or was it that he sought a time when he and Jesus could talk at length without interruption? Personally, I want to believe that the latter was the main reason.

His opening words are revealing, "We know you have come from God to teach us, for no one could perform these signs of yours unless God were with him" (Moffatt). "We know"? You and who, Nicodemus? "I and the people who sent me, of course, who else?" Nicodemus represented somebody and, whoever he represented most likely knew he was going to seek an interview with Jesus. What the best time for that conference? After supper of an evening when Jesus would be free of the throng.

II. An Arresting Statement. "Unless anyone is born from above, he cannot see the Kingdom of God" (Fenton). "Unless one is born anew" (RSV). Anyone must undergo a second and different birth, unless anyone is born over, again, anew, from above, he can not. That statement smote the scholarly Nicodemus with amazement or as the boys say, "It knocked him for a loop". What do you mean, "born over again"?

III. Jesus Explaining. This is the only place where we have a record of Jesus making mention of what we are pleased to call regeneration, but we do well to remember that the New Testament is full of the idea. John, Peter and Paul, all make use of the idea in passages too numerous to quote in this brief paper. Of course the idea is radical. When we are born, we are all there, just about all we shall ever be in the natural course of things. Fixed is the race to which we belong, our natural capacities, the phy-

sical bodies in which we are to live, with all their weaknesses or elements of strength latent in them, the temperaments which are to characterize us—in fact, about all we are going to be.

But our Lord says that however true all that may be, and however good may be the natural elements that have gone into our natural make-up, we are still unfit for the Kingdom of God, nay, we shall never even get sight of it. "Why?" Because that which is born of the flesh is flesh, that which is of the natural birth is natural only, and never can see the supernatural. That which is of the earth is earthy, that which is born of this world is worldly, and this without respect to the position occupied by the parents of the person born.

But you heard some compromising Kernahan say that all "dear little babies are born Christians, members of God's household, citizens of the Kingdom of God, naturally". Well, our Lord says that is not so! Anyone, everyone must be born anew, again, from above. Because whatever is born of the flesh is flesh. So there must be a radical change, a change so pronounced that he who has undergone it is a new creature, a different man, in inward being, utterly unlike the natural man that died, ceased to be, became no more, in order that this new man might become and be.

"Marvel not that I said, 'Ye must be born anew.'" There is something radically wrong with man that makes it easier for him to wrong than to do right, just as any body of matter falls instead of rising unless acted upon by some exterior force. There must be some radical change if we are to be like God. But no man can radically change himself, just as no falling body can of itself cease to descend and ascend whence it fell. The only power or being who can work in man this needed radical change is the God who made him; hence, the Bible represents this change as a new creation. If God must work this needed radical change, He must do it either with or without the consent of the needy man. And that is all the needy man can do. The change comes as quietly as the breeze of evening or as tempestuously as the bellowing storm, and all and each because the recreating Spirit of God comes into the yielded, consenting heart.

IV. Nicodemus' Last Question. "How can these things be?" "How can this be?" "How can that be?" Jesus answered, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet unable to discern this?" I think our Lord might have said, "I'll tell you how it is wrought. It is a matter of the meeting of spirit with Spirit. The Spirit of God can lay hold of, flow into, mingle with, the spirit of man. When the Spirit of God meets the consenting spirit of man, such a change is wrought by the Spirit of God upon the spirit of man that the spirit of man is altered, re-created, regenerated, and the unsaved man is saved, the perishing man becomes the eternally living man, the natural man becomes the supernatural man, the twice-born man, their child of God.

I think that is what our Lord is saying in Vv. 14-18. God is reaching down to man in a desire for his recreation, his regeneration, his rescue from the pit of perdition. Let any man in the whole world, any man of all men, any place and every place, any time and all times believe God in Jesus Christ, receive God in Jesus Christ, consent with the Savior God in Jesus Christ, yield to the Lordship

## Green's Creek Goes Forward

Green's Creek church in Forrest county enjoyed one of its best years in 1946, breaking a number of records. Rev. W. A. Elliott, formerly of Opelika, Ala., succeeded Rev. A. R. Loftin who retired, due to ill health. A good pastorium has practically been completed, and butane gas has been installed in the church and home. Plans include additional expansion to take care of growing Sunday school attendance. Three revivals were held during the year with 48 additions.

Wm. Reynolds, O. H. Petty and W. M. Smith were licensed to preach, the latter having been ordained in a fine service December 20, 1946. E. W. Chat-ham is the capable church clerk for Green's Creek.

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**Pastor and Mrs. O. B. Renick** appreciated the Christmas "shower" of good things sent by Liberty church and by Harmony church. The love gifts of the people made the heart of the pastor glad.

## Perry County Association Petitions Governor Wright

Governor Fielding Wright, Jackson, Mississippi. The Perry County Baptist Association deeply regrets the deplorable and shameful Black Market Tax law of our State. We, the Prohibition Committee, on behalf of the Association, earnestly appeal to your excellency to use your influence as Governor and the powers of your office, in an effort to secure the repeal of the disgraceful Black Market Tax law at the earliest possible moment.

We are praying that the good name of our state may soon be cleared of this very embarrassing stigma.

Very Respectfully,  
Rev. Paul Z. Ball, Chairman  
Mrs. George Lassett, Sr.  
E. L. Scruggs,  
Rev. G. T. Breland, Secretary.  
The Committee.

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## Bowmar Avenue Resolutions Concerning Miss Merle Ford

WHEREAS, for the past fourteen months Miss Merle Ford has rendered faithful and loyal service as Educational Director of the Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church of Vicksburg, serving in every department and in various capacities, freely giving of her time and talents, and

WHEREAS, Miss Ford has voluntarily tendered her resignation to become effective January 11, 1947, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, first, that Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church express its sincere appreciation to Miss Ford for the great work she has done in our midst, and, Second, that we express our regrets for having lost her to other fields and wish her God-speed in whatever new work she undertakes for the Master, and Third, that a copy of these resolutions be given Miss Ford, a copy be filled in the minutes of the church, and a copy be sent to the Baptist Record for publication.

Approved by Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church in conference this the 5th day January 1947.

Respectfully submitted by the committee.

Earnest Faulkner  
Miss Helen E. Gray  
Mrs. Pearl Friley

of God in Christ Jesus, and he shall not perish but have, right now, eternal life.



Answer to crossword puzzle on page (14)

The Church of the Air over the CBS radio, January 26, 1947, from 10:30 o'clock a.m. to 11 o'clock a.m. will feature Dr. J. M. Dawson of Washington D. C. in a sermon, "The Road to Freedom." Music by the First Baptist church Westminster choir will be heard over CBS at that time. Station WTOP in Washington will broadcast the program.

The Adaton Baptist church has announced the formation of a new W.M.-S. with the following officers elected: President, Mrs. C. S. Mullin; 1st. vice president, Miss Elaine Duke; 2nd. vice president, Mrs. J. S. Fondren, and secretary and treasurer, Mrs. T. G. Murphree. Congratulations are in order for this progressive step.



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★ Extra soothing and comforting to externally caused itching, rash, tetter, pimples, irritations, minor burns, cuts, sprains and bruises. Contains wholesome and soothing pine tar. 35c at drug stores.



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Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

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For Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis

## This Home-Mixed Syrup Relieves Coughs Quickly

Needs No Cooking. Saves Money.

The surprise of your life is waiting for you, in your own kitchen, when it comes to the relief of coughs due to colds. In just a moment, you can mix a cough syrup that gives you about four times as much for your money.

Make a syrup by stirring 2 cups of granulated sugar and one cup of water a few moments, until dissolved. No cooking needed—it's no trouble at all. Or you can use corn syrup or liquid honey, instead of sugar syrup. Then put 2½ ounces of Pinex (obtained from any druggist) into a pint bottle. Fill up with your syrup, and you have a full pint of really wonderful cough medicine. It never spoils, lasts a family a long time, and children love it.

This home mixture takes right hold of a cough in a way that means business. It loosens the phlegm, soothes the irritated membranes, and quickly eases soreness and difficult breathing.

Pinex is a special compound of proven ingredients, in concentrated form, well known for quick action in coughs and bronchial irritations. Money refunded if it doesn't please you in every way.



## GOING PLACES

BY A. L. GOODRICH

### CONCORD IS NUMBER 842

Concord Church, Choctaw County, is a recent addition to the more than 800 churches that have the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan.

The pastor is Rev. H. W. Freeman, a Clarke College student.

With 59 families reading the Record weekly, interest in Baptist affairs will show a decided increase.

Choctaw County now has Record readers listed as follows: ACKERMAN 76, BETHANY 14, Beulah 6, Blythe 1, Covenant 5, Fellowship 2, MT. MORIAH 32, New Zion 1, MT. PISGAH 22, Providence 5, WEIR 51, Wood Springs 1, SPRING HILL 20, CONCORD 57, BETHLEHEM 19, New Cross Road 1, Crepe Creek 8, Clear Springs 3.

### HEBRON IS IN

Hebron Church, Panola County, has joined the growing list of Baptist Record churches.

The pastor, Rev. V. R. Crider, having had the EVERY FAMILY Plan in other churches of which he was pastor, lost no time in leading Hebron to make the Baptist Record as part of its program.

D. A. Bishop, Rt. 2, Sardis, is treasurer of the church.

Panola County now has Record readers listed as follows: ASKEW 19, Union 6, BATESVILLE 130, COMO 39, COURTLAND 20, CRENSHAW 26, Easley Memorial 7, ENON 43, GOOD HOPE 33, LIBERTY HILL 63, Longtown 10, PEACH CREEK 55, PILGRIM'S REST 33, POPE 22, SARDIS 48, TOCOWA 28, Curtis 1, Locke Station 12, PANOLA 27, Hebron 18.

### PLEASANT GROVE IS IN

Pleasant Grove Church, Grenada County, has joined the growing list of Baptist Record churches.

S. E. Gillon, treasurer, recently sent a list of 12 families who are to receive the Record and thus become better informed about Baptist affairs.

Grenada County churches are almost all Baptist Record churches. Subscribers are now recorded as follows: PLEASANT GROVE 12, BETHEL 20, GRENADA 153, HARDY STATION 27, HOLCOM 22, Providence 1, GRAYSPORT 22, Central 1.

### UNION, WALTHALL. IS NUMBER 843

Rev. Mack M. Mummey, new pastor of Union Baptist Church in Walthall County, lost little time in getting his church to join the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Walthall County are now listed as follows: CRYSTAL SPRINGS 42, DINAN 46, Enon 10, KNOXO 24, LEXIE 40, MAGEE'S CREEK 46, NEW ZION 30, SALEM 46, TYLERTOWN 163, UNION 28, MESA 31, Centerville 4.

### RED LICK SENDS 16

Red Lick Church, Jefferson County, helped the Baptist Record keep above the 56,000 mark in circulation by sending a list of 16 on the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

The church treasurer, Mrs. P. T. Graham, sent the list.

In addition to Red Lick's 16, other subscriptions in Jefferson County are listed as follows: Beach Grove 1, Bethesda 4, ELMO 21, FAYETTE 62, UNION CHURCH 32, Fellowship 1.

## SCENE AT COUNTY-WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL BANQUET



The above picture shows a part of the large crowd that attended the county-wide Baptist Sunday School banquet at the First Church, Philadelphia, recently. Dr. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Convention Board, is shown making the principal talk.

## 200 Attend County Banquet At First Church, Philadelphia

Approximately two hundred people from the Baptist churches over Neshoba county, attended the banquet at the First Baptist church in December, when Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of the State Board was the feature speaker.

This was the second annual banquet given under the direction of Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Associational Pastor, for the Sunday School workers from the various churches in the county who, during the past year, have received study course awards.

Rev. Ivor Clark, pastor of Spring Creek church, was master of ceremonies and the invocation was given by Rev. H. D. Hawkins, associational Sunday School superintendent. Recognition was given the visitors

and others by Rev. Hall and special music was rendered by the Coldwater church.

Skits, "Tom Sawyer," and "Father Time," written by Rev. Clark, were given by the Coldwater and Spring Creek churches.

Miss Earline Blocker, soloist and Mrs. J. M. Lofton pianist, added much to the evening's program, Miss Blocker singing, "Come To The Fair" and "Jeanie With the Light Brown Hair."

In a very timely, most humorous manner, which brought the house down with mirth, W. W. Jones, presented the speaker of the evening, Dr. McCall. In a splendid manner the speaker, using as his subject, "He Will Not Fail," spoke to the group, as the concluding feature of the evening's program.—Neshoba Democrat

## Scriptures For Japan and Germany Are Largest Items in Post-War Emergency Work of American Bible Society

Today's world is hungry for the Word of God. Through the gifts of Christian people in America, the American Bible Society is supplying Scriptures to tragic and bewildered people whose nations fought on each side of World War II.

Scriptures for Japan and Germany are the largest items in the post-war emergency work of the American Bible Society. In these former enemy countries the genuine desire of the people for the Bible is far greater than Christian leaders in America had dared to expect.

Japanese Christian leaders, soon after the close of the war, requested 2,500,000 Japanese New Testaments and 100,000 Japanese Bibles, for distribution throughout Japan.

The American Bible Society sent immediately 60,000 Japanese New Testaments printed in America, which had been prepared in advance for such needs, and began production of a special edition in heavy paper covers to care for this huge request for 2,500,000 New Testaments. These are being sent to Japan as rapidly as they can be printed and the needed funds secured. The full Bible in Japanese is now being printed in this country and will be ready for distribution soon.

Remembering that there are only about 500,000 Christians in Japan, this request reveals a wide-spread interest and one of the outstanding missionary opportunities of all Christian history. Reports from Japan indicate that the people are eagerly reading the Scriptures. Since 20c provides a New Testament and \$1.00 pays the cost of a



JAPANESE NEW TESTAMENT American Bible Society Sending Two and One-half Million to Japan

full Bible, the spiritual returns on a gift to this missionary project are challenging.

A total of approximately 4,000,000 copies of German Scriptures printed in this country are being provided, for Germans taken as prisoners of war and for civilians in Germany.

A self-help arrangement for producing German Scriptures is also now being carried out. Printing facilities and labor are available in Germany, but materials are lacking. The American Bible Society is supplying materials for paper and bindings and the Scriptures are being produced in Germany through the help of the German people and the German Bible Societies. This gift of materials costing \$250,000 to \$300,000 will result in the

## S. E. BAPTIST PASTORS MEET AT LAUREL, JAN. 20

The Southeast Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference will hold its January meeting at First Church, Laurel, January 20 according to an announcement by the secretary, Rev. W. R. Storie.

Dr. W. A. Bell, pastor of First Church, Hattiesburg, will deliver the sermon and Bible Study will be conducted by Rev. James W. Parrish. Pastor of the First Church, Laurel.

The program follows:

10:00—10:15, Devotional, Rev. Raymond Herrington

10:15—11:00, Reports

11:00—11:20 Dr. I. E. Rouse, President of Woman's College

11:20—11:30, Special Music by South Laurel Baptist Church

11:30—12:00, Sermon by Dr. W. A. Bell

12:00—1:15, Lunch

1:15—2:00 Bible Study, Dr. James W. Parrish

2:00—2:30 Miscellaneous

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## Jackson Pastor To Rocky Creek

Rev. Percy Cooper who has served with outstanding success as pastor of the Southwide Baptist church in Jackson since its beginning, as a mission, has resigned to accept the call of the Rocky Creek church in George county. Rev. and Mrs. Cooper have been tireless in their work and great gains have marked each step of the way in the progress of the Jackson church. Mrs. Cooper has meant much to the women's work and the young people's activities since the couple moved to this city.

The George county people will enjoy serving with this dynamic young minister and his wife. Friends who know the Coopers predict a great future for this progressive South Mississippi field. He will assume his new work February 1.

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The Lorena church, since its organization 15 years ago, has maintained a Thursday night prayer meeting and Bible study, having read through the New Testament twice, taking one chapter a week, three books of the Old Testament, and are now studying Psalms. Rev. D. W. Moulder is pastor.

Writers of poetry are invited to submit their poems to The Exposition Press, One Spruce Street, New York 7, N.Y. for consideration in the new volume Exaltation now being compiled. Religious verse is acceptable, and a self addressed, stamped envelope should be enclosed with the poems.

production of about one million full Bibles, at a cost to the American Bible Society of only 25c to 30c each, thus securing the greatest possible value from the missionary funds used for providing German Scriptures.

Southern Baptist gifts materially helped the American Bible Society to be ready for the post-war rehabilitation work which it is now carrying on throughout the world. Because this service is one of the outstanding missionary opportunities in today's world, Southern Baptists are continuing their generous support.

Gifts to the American Bible Society from Mississippi Baptist Churches on Sunday, February 2, 1947 will help in all the postwar emergency service of the Society and in the regular task of supplying Scriptures for mission work around the globe.